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COMMENT OF THE DAY

Gulf Of Aqaba

THERE is no case, whatever for sanctions against Israel when she makes for guarantees of free passage in the Gulf of Aqaba. The words are those of Sir Anthony Eden. He adds: "It is dangerous when the United Nations treat obedient and small countries with harshness and allow bullies and braggarts to get their own way." This is good sense and it is to be hoped the British delegate repeats these words when the Assembly debate begins on Egypt's latest move to impose sanctions against Israel.

It can also be hoped the British Government comes up with some constructive suggestion on how to keep the gulf open to Israeli shipping. It can do this by following up an American proposal to send a merchant ship to the area which, if stopped, would be followed by an appeal to the International Court of Justice for a ruling on the status of the Aqaba Gulf.

It should suggest that another United Nations force be sent to the gulf to ensure free passage of ships until the Court gives its ruling. But the United Nations force should this time be composed of warships—drawn from disinterested nations such as the South American states, India, Italy, Ceylon, Turkey and one of the Scandinavian powers. No more than four or five ships including a cruiser or destroyer, a frigate and three patrol boats would be necessary.

This proposal could be couched in the form of a resolution and submitted by Britain to the General Assembly as an alternative motion to that proposed by Egypt. In the meantime an immediate application should be submitted to the International Court. There is a chance that the majority of nations may abstain from voting on this idea until after the International Court has decided. But in that event Egypt should not be allowed to pre-empt the outcome by refusing Israel access to the gulf.

The only danger to Britain is that Egypt might take retaliatory action. Four Britons are in an Egyptian court on "spy" charges and Nasser could, out of spite, bar British ships from using the Canal when it is fully opened. But this is one occasion when Britain should take a determined stand against a dictator who has already got away with far too much.

GROMYKO'S APPOINTMENT A WARNING LIGHT New Russian Diplomatic Offensive Predicted

Washington, Feb. 15.

The appointment of Mr Andrei Gromyko as Soviet Foreign Minister was a warning light heralding the opening of a new Soviet diplomatic offensive, particularly in the Middle East, Western experts on Soviet affairs said today.

These experts, in the State Department and Western embassies, agreed that the replacement of Mr Dmitri Shepilov by Mr Gromyko would not make the task of Western diplomacy any easier in bringing stability to the Middle East and in tackling the problems of German reunification and disarmament.

One Western diplomat, who knows Mr Gromyko personally and who had long experience negotiating with Soviet officials, described him as even more inflexible than Mr Molotov, the former Soviet Foreign Minister under whom Mr Gromyko served for many years.

NAGY MAY BE BROUGHT TO TRIAL

Zurich, Feb. 15.

Former Hungarian Premier, Imre Nagy, now in exile, may shortly be brought to trial, according to rumours circulating in Hungary, it was reported here today.

Petitions to this effect were reported to be circulating in Hungarian factories and certain villages.

It was understood that other former Hungarian politicians who had refused to collaborate with Premier Janos Kadar, might be implicated in the trial of Nagy.

Meanwhile, preparations for the trial of former Defence Minister, Pal Malster, one of the leaders of the Hungarian uprising, were reported to be continuing with the questioning of many witnesses. It was thought that the government wanted to give this trial wide publicity.

The political police were also reported to be conducting mass arrests throughout the country to forestall the demonstrations talked about for March 15. Observers did not expect any large scale demonstrations would take place, however.—France-Press.

India Will Not Allow UN Force In Kashmir

United Nations, Feb. 15.

India declared today that it would never allow a United Nations force on her soil to keep peace in Kashmir, but welcomed a visit to the area by the Security Council President.

The Indian Minister of State, Mr V. K. Krishna Menon, told the Council that a British-US-Australian-Cuban resolution which would send the Swedish representative, Mr Gunnar Jarring, to Asia to seek a settlement in the Indian-Pakistani dispute over Kashmir was "villainous" by its preamble and a reference to possible use of a UN force.

"The Security Council dare not ask us to permit foreign troops on our soil," said Mr Menon. "Any suggestion of this kind would be unwelcome."

Any United Nations force made up of volunteers would mean a violation by each participating nation of the UN Charter, he asserted.—United Press.

EGYPT WILL DEMAND TOLLS

Cairo, Feb. 15.

An Indian deputy said here today that President Nasser had told him that Egypt will demand the payment of tolls by Anglo-French ships wishing to go through the Suez Canal.

The deputy, Mr Anup Singh, told a press conference: "President Nasser said that the Canal was nationalised and British and French ships refused to pay tolls. We let them go through because we did not want to aggravate tension. Now it is an entirely new situation and Egypt will demand the payment of tolls."—Reuter.

Security Forces Attacked

Aden, Feb. 15.

Two members of the Aden Protectorate security forces were killed in Mithail, 30 miles south of Lada in the Fudai State, while conducting a search for arms today, according to official sources here.

One of the attackers was also killed. Aden Protectorate levies and government guards are operating in this area.—Reuter.

Indonesia Awaits Action By Sukarno

Djakarta, Feb. 15.

President Sukarno today held the power to disband the present government and order a revolutionary revision of Indonesian democracy.

Newspapers in Djakarta predicted the popular leader would announce tonight a reshuffle in the Cabinet and his long awaited "conception" for a new democracy.

A delegation of five coalition parties will meet with the general Indonesian leader at his weekend palace in Bogor, some 40 miles south of the capital.

Prime Minister Ali Sastroamidjojo's disintegrating Cabinet surrendered its fate on Tuesday to Sukarno.

The Cabinet asked Sukarno to carry out an "integral reshuffle" that has set off a wave of speculation on how far the present Cabinet would be changed.

Some political circles predicted that the Prime Minister would be ousted in a drastic shakeup. Others said that the President would keep Sastroamidjojo and only fill the Cabinet posts vacated by the walkout of three political parties from the government.

The opposition, Indonesia Raya newspaper, claimed today that Communists would be given ministerial posts in the new Cabinet.

Most political sources agreed that in a parallel move with the reshaping of the Cabinet, President Sukarno would announce his "conception" of Indonesian democracy.

So far Sukarno has merely stated that an advisory council would be established composed of representatives of political parties, youths, labour, peasants, army, police and other organisations.—United Press.

Plane Crashes

Tafel, Feb. 15.

The entire nine-man crew of a Chinese Nationalist Air Force plane were killed today when the plane crashed into a civilian dwelling near an air base on return from a mission, Air Force headquarters announced.

The announcement said the plane was a P-4 but did not disclose the name or location of the base.—France-Press.

Prosperity Outlook

Washington, Feb. 15.

George M. Humphrey, Secretary of the Treasury, told Congress today that he could see no sign of an economic depression in the United States.

If inflationary pressures were held in check, he said, the present period of prosperity could continue for a very long time.—France-Press.

Anti-Negro Outrage

EXPLOSION DAMAGES 30 HOMES, INJURES 2

Clinton, Tenn., Feb. 15.

An explosion rocked a negro section of this racially troubled town last night, slightly injuring two persons and damaging 30 homes and a negro restaurant.

It was the second incident of race-connected violence here in less than a week. Last Saturday, a young army veteran was severely beaten for defending the principal of integrated Clinton high school in an argument.

Police said the blast, the eighth since Clinton's public school integration riots, apparently was from a dynamite-cramped suitcase left on a sidewalk in the Foly Hill community where most of the negro high school students live.

Five of the seven negroes still attending Clinton high school stayed home today. The other two, both boys, said the absent students were concerned about the dynamiting.

Negro witnesses said one occupant of a crowded car placed the suitcase on a sidewalk near the home of Alfred Williams, 21-year-old negro student who recently was suspended from school for striking a 15-year-old white boy.

YOUTH ATTACKED

The explosion occurred while police still were investigating an attack on Norris Johnson, 22, who is attending the high school and working as a part-time clerk in the office of principal D. J. Brittain, Jr.

Johnson suffered a broken nose, two black eyes, and lacerations of the face and mouth when he was attacked by several young white men in front of the Southland Cafe on Saturday.

Officers said the attack followed a mounting argument that started when several of the youths criticised school officials for seeking to "alibi" by a Federal integration order under which negroes were admitted to classes.

RESTAURANT HIT

Last night's explosion ripped through the front of a restaurant of West Broad Street in the heart of the negro section and shattered windows of homes in the area.

Police said windows in the restaurant, the "Chicken Shack," were knocked out, furniture was tossed about and part of the roof was blown off. Although there were customers in the place, no one inside was injured.

"Enough dynamite was used to sink a battleship," one officer told reporters.

Witnesses said the man who placed the suitcase on the sidewalk was white. The car sped away before they could see the other occupants.—United Press.

STRIKERS WIN

Kiel, Feb. 15.

Thirty-three thousand north German shipyard and metal workers returned to their jobs today, ending a 114-day strike that netted them new sick-pay benefits and longer vacations.

Police reported there were no incidents when the first groups of workers returned to the 38 shipyards and other "idle plants" throughout the state of Schleswig-Holstein.—United Press.

Best Tips For Today's Valley Races

By "Rapier" RACE 1

Quizette
Applause
Pearl of Hongkong
Outsider:—Barometer.

RACE 2

Johnber
Cheerful
Iping
Outsider:—Resurrection.

RACE 3

Dillkosh
Curtsey
My Pal
Outsider:—Cornhill.

RACE 4

Snow-Dameel
Jingle Bell
Shiraz
Outsider:—Castle Peak.

RACE 5

Blondie
May Blossom
Strathpeffer
Outsider:—The Kangaroo.

RACE 6

Evergreen
V. I. P.
Many Returns
Outsider:—Desert Gold.

RACE 7

So Big
Tumbleweed
Not So Bad
Outsider:—Fortuna.

RACE 8

Norse Girl
Gabriel Junks
Jemima F.
Outsider:—Golden Branch.

By "The Turf" RACE 1

Pearl of Hongkong
Blossom Time
Applause
Outsider:—Quizette.

RACE 2

Johnber
Red Light
Cheerful
Outsider:—Iping.

RACE 3

Cornhill
Dillkosh
My Pal
Outsider:—October Moss.

RACE 4

Snow-Dameel
Silver Wing
Castle Peak
Outsider:—Shiraz.

RACE 5

May Blossom
Blondie
The Kangaroo
Outsider:—Caravello.

RACE 6

Many Returns
Vigorous Ava
Colin
Outsider:—Senorita.

RACE 7

Tumbleweed
Scramo
Not So Bad
Outsider:—Sisy Horse.

RACE 8

Jemima F.
Golden Branch
Gabriel Junks
Outsider:—Knock-Down.

TODAY'S TEASER TIP

for the 6th race

Ageless, no doubt

The teaser tip for the last meeting was Forward View which was unplaced.

Poland's "Democratised" Parliament To Meet

Warsaw, Feb. 15.

Poland's new "democratised" parliament will meet on Wednesday to pass a budget which is aimed to bring a "certain improvement" in the nation's low living standards.

Mr Edward Ochab, First Secretary of the Polish Communist Party's central committee, was today reported to have said that because of a big reduction in defence spending, the budget "will ensure a certain improvement" in living standards.

He put the reduction at 2,030-million zlotys (about £30 million sterling at the new rate of exchange).

Because of Poland's economic difficulties, drastic re-shaping of the nation's five-year-plan has been ordered.

The re-planning is reported to include a slow down in the rate of industrialisation, lower steel and coal targets and big cuts in national investment.—Reuter.

Son For Bertha Hertogh

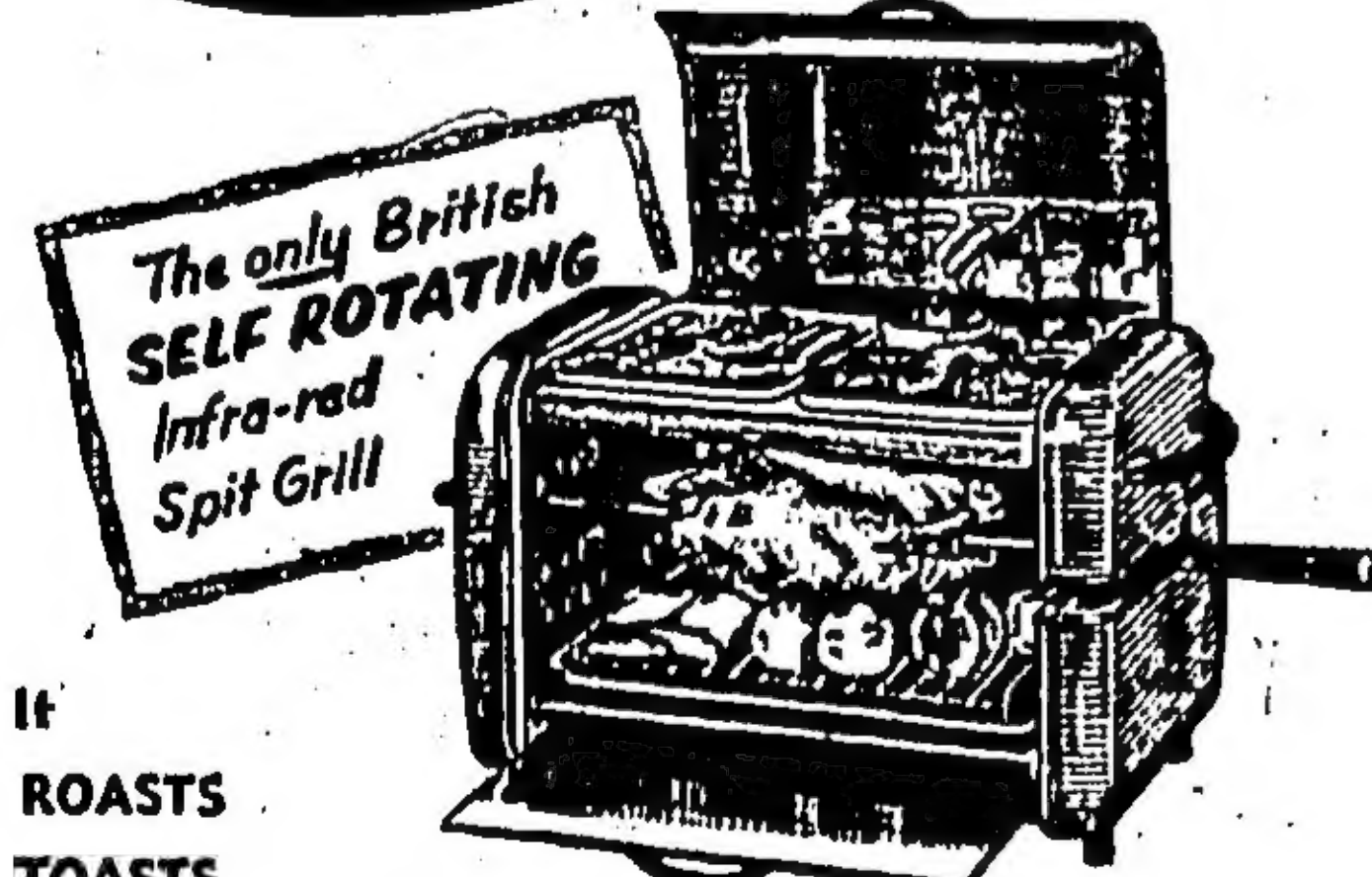
The Hague, Feb. 15.

The Dutch girl, Bertha Hertogh, the annulment of whose marriage to a Malayan school-teacher, touched off Moslem riots in Singapore in 1950, gave birth to a seven-pound blue-eyed black-haired son today.

Bertha Hertogh, who married a Dutchman in April last year, is now Mrs Wolkenfelt. She is 20.—Reuter.

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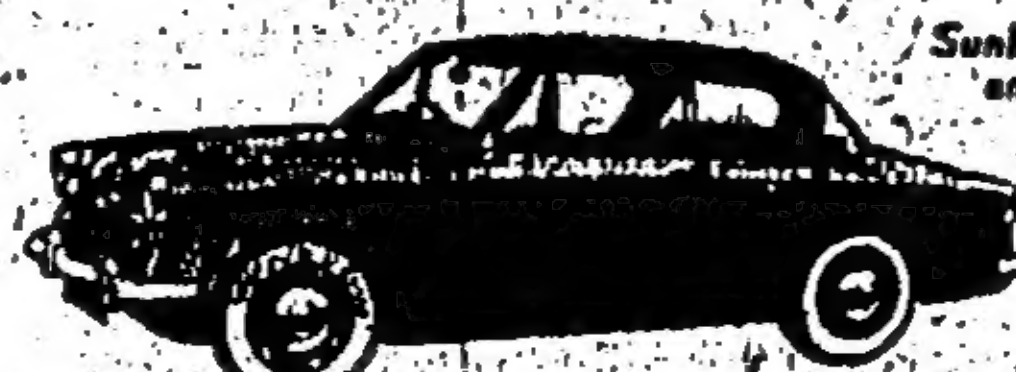
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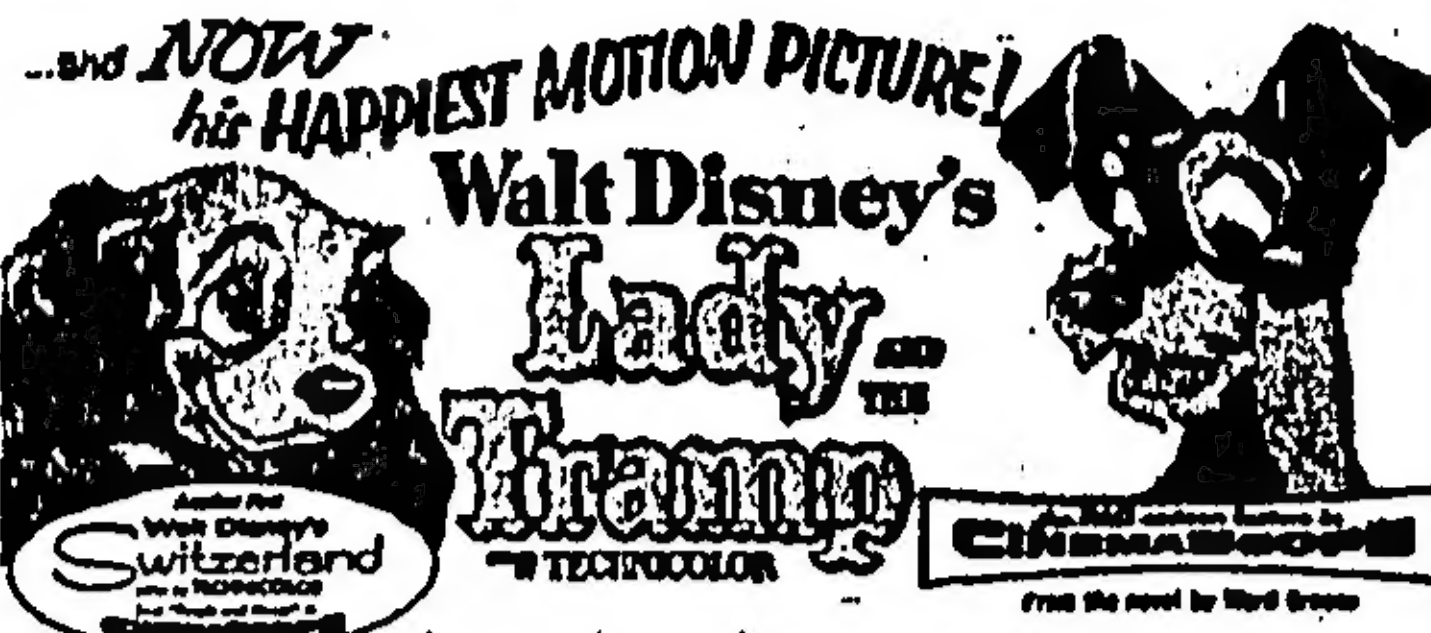
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FILMS
Covered & Coming
BY JANE ROBERTSThis Week's Films
In Pictures

A scene from "Trapeze"

THE excellent business being done by eight of the ten first run cinemas in Hongkong has enabled them to keep last Saturday's pictures running for a second week-end. I'm sure that the other two, if they had not been subject to direction outside Hongkong, could have done the same thing. Having reviewed all but one of last week's pictures there's plenty of room to look at "Anastasia."

Disappointing

To be perfectly truthful and having due regard for the interest felt for her cause, the lady rather bored me.

Perhaps it was because I was once such an ardent admirer of Ingrid Bergman that I was disappointed to find that after an absence from the screen for so long she is back with all her old tricks. It would have been so much better if she had stayed away until, with age, character parts would have become her métier.

In "Anastasia" she is trying to combine the exploitation of her beauty with, aided by hideous make-up, the characterisation of a half-mad, unkempt amnesia case. The looks she once had are naturally not as clear-cut as once they were and her acting consists of a series of mannerisms.

Akim Tamiroff—looking like a semi lost and far from the earthy guerrilla who appeared with Miss Bergman in "For Whom The Bell Tolls"—comes off best in this picture.

Stock Characters

He is a corrupt business man in league with a fellow representative of White Russia to gain control of a large fortune left in trust for the Grand Duchess Anastasia, believed to have survived the massacre of the Russian Royal family in 1918.

A group of the old Russian nobility have formed a company to find the missing woman whom they all believe to be alive and Yul Brynner, a General in the old Russian Army, Akim Tamiroff and others comb the

streets of Paris to find someone who will be acceptable, so that through her, they can lay hands on the money.

There is a great deal made of the grooming of Ingrid Bergman to fit her for the grueling questions she will be asked by the committee and it is not until quite late in the film that one discovers whether or not she is the impostor she, in her half mad state, sometimes believes herself to be.

The plot—taken from the successful stage play—has plenty of scope in it for the right actors, but possibly because of over-simplification of the script, Ingrid Bergman and Yul Brynner never seem to come to life. They shout at each other, feel affection towards each other and occasionally give glimpses of being real people—but only occasionally. For much of the time they are stock characters projecting the emotions called for by director Anatole Litvak. It is melodrama rather than drama.

Dynamic Cagney

THE star of "These Wilder Years" is Betty Lou Keim. She is an unmarried mother befriended by James Cagney when access to his own illegitimate child—disowned by him 20 years previously—is denied him.

Barbara Stanwyck has a fairly strong part as the head of a home for adopted children and she makes the character a sympathetic one.

However, I would have preferred to have seen her exert less sex appeal and a little more insight into the solitary life a woman in that sort of job must lead. One feels that her battle of wits with James Cagney, who has a twinge of conscience occasioned by his own middle aged loneliness is more of a fight between two people "mutually attracted" as the cinema jargon has it, than a clash of two personalities with deeply rooted opinions.

James Cagney is his usual dynamic little self, riding roughshod over anyone who attempts to oppose him, and as usual

his heart of gold is allowed to come shining through towards the end of the picture.

The sentiment is not too thickly piled on, however, and although it may not be brilliant, this picture jogs along at an even pace in spite of having been produced on a low budget.

Bedroom Farce

Is Your Honeymoon Really Necessary?

THIS film is chiefly to show off the charms of tightly-strapped-in Diana Dors, but it also has three of Britain's light comedians—David Tomlinson, Sydney James and Bonar Colleano.

The latter, it is true, is American, but has been on the British stage and screen for so long that his brand of humour has become completely Anglicised.

The story is simple and need hardly be mentioned. Diana Dors is a gold digger who has come back to tell her husband Bonar Colleano that they are not legally divorced. This is especially embarrassing for Colleano as he has just remarried.

There are some amusing scenes—much better done than this type of thing usually is—in which Wife No. 1 is shut into one bedroom while Wife No. 2 is engaged in conversation. David Tomlinson is an interested bystander and Sydney James takes as many laughs as any.

Diana Dors is not very effective as the new wife, but as she is only a foil for Diana Dors it doesn't matter very much.

Everyone is suitably paired off by the last reel and though it has in it enough humour to please those nostalgic for the film they saw "back home" and which never reach our Hongkong screens.

New Films
At
A Glance

SHOWING

HOOVER and LIBERTY:
"These Wilder Years":
Ingrid Bergman and the evils,
James Cagney, Barbara
Stanwyck, Walter Pidgeon,
Betty Lou Keim,
Don Dubbins.

KING'S and PRINCESS:
"The Lady and the Tramp":
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METROPOLE and STAR:
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Curtis.

QUEEN'S and ALHAMBRA:
"On the Waterfront":
Violence among dockers
and their union leaders.
Marlon Brando, Rod
Stelger, Eva Marie Saint,
Karl Malden.

ROXY and BROADWAY:
"Anastasia":
There is a
legend that a daughter of
the last Czar of Russia
survived the family
massacre: this picture
deals with the possibility
that she did. Ingrid
Bergman, Yul Brynner,
Helen Hayes.

COMING

HOOVER and LIBERTY:
"Dr. Jekyll and Mr.
Hyde":
A re-telling of the
Victorian melodrama.
Spencer Tracy, Lana
Turner, Ingrid Bergman.

KING'S and PRINCESS:
"Is Your Honeymoon
Really Necessary?":
A bedroom farce: Diana
Dors, David Tomlinson,
Bonar Colleano.

"The Mountain":
A return
run for this Spencer
Tracy suspense thriller.
With Robert Wagner,
Claire Trevor, "Red Sun-
down":
A western. Rory
Calhoun, Martha Hyer,
Dean Jagger.

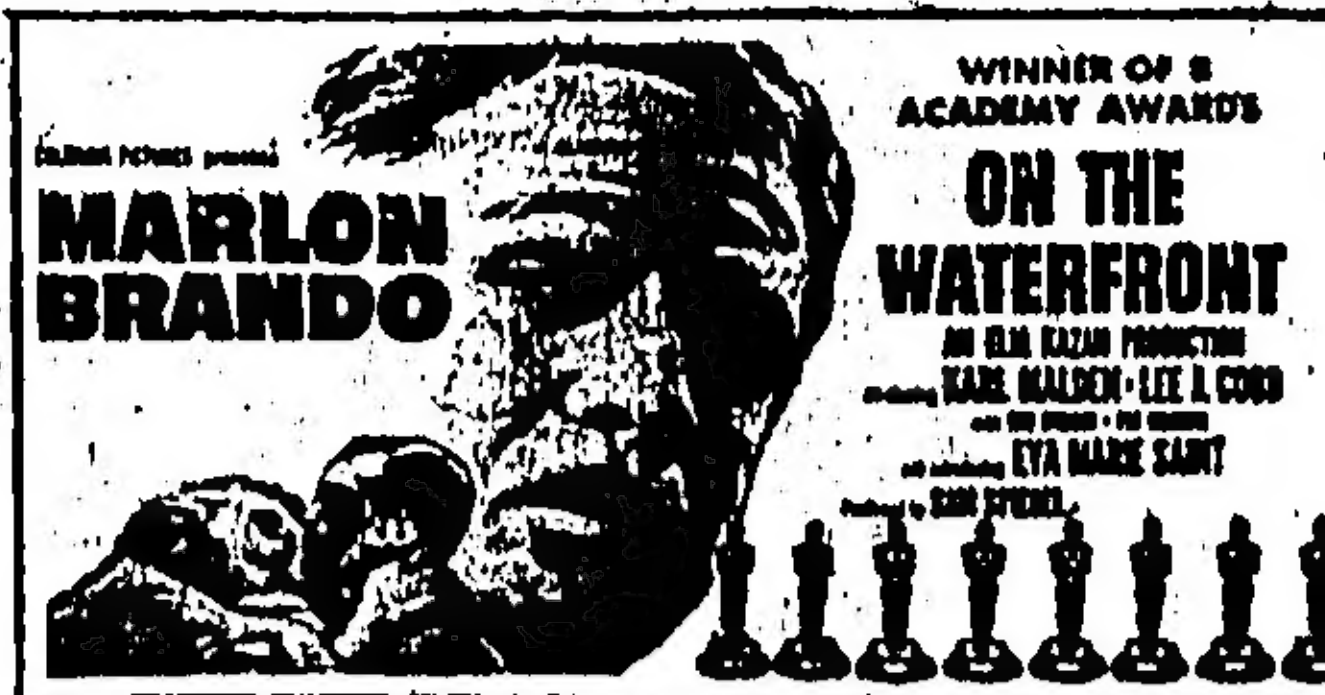
METROPOLE and STAR:
"The Unsuspected Moment":
A teenager (male), a
teacher (female), and
a series of sugges-
tive situations with
murder added. Esther
Williams, George Nader,
John Saxon.

QUEEN'S and ALHAMBRA:
"The Burning Hills":
A western. Tab
Hunter, Natalie Wood.

ROXY and BROADWAY:
"Three Brave Men":
Communist witch hunt-
ing in present day
America. Ray Milland,
Ernest Borgnine, Dean
Jagger.

QUEEN'S & ALHAMBRA

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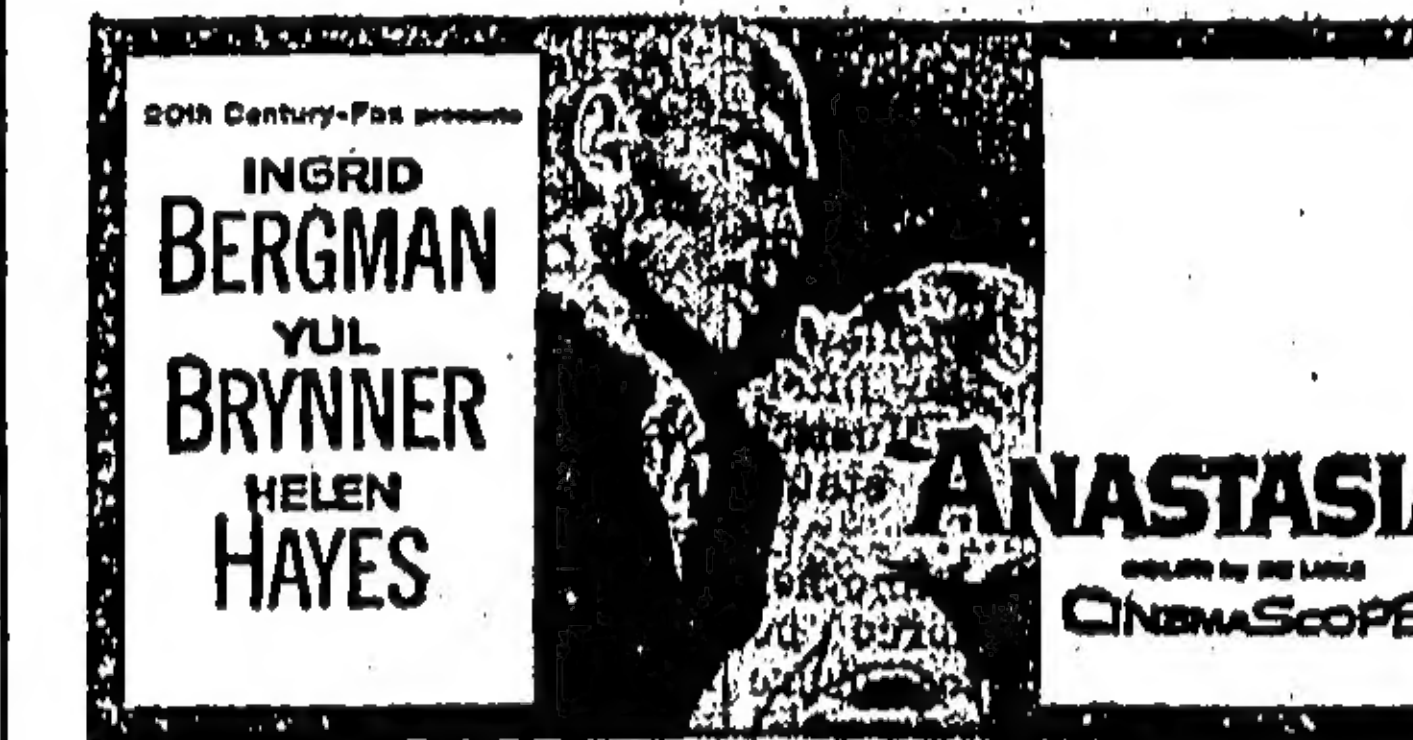


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Interesting News Stories From All Parts Of The World

A New Season Opens With A Warning: WHALING FLEETS SPEND MORE BUT GET LESS OIL

London.

The season for catching blue whales in the Antarctic waters opened at the beginning of this month.



The British whaling "mother ship" Balaena

The international whaling fleet, consisting of 20 factory ships of five nations accompanied by 222 catching boats, is already in position after a month of catching the smaller, but more numerous, Fin and Sei whales.

The season for Humpback whales, fast dying out as a species, also opened in February, but in very brief and closed four days later and the catching area is limited to a small area.

HARD BATTLE

The season will continue until the catch of all the expeditions totals 14,500 blue whale units when all the boats must stop fishing under the International Whaling Commission's regulations.

A "Blue Whale Unit" equals one blue whale, two Fin whales, 2½ Humpback whales and six Sei whales.

This year with one extra expedition, being sent by Japan, the international whaling fleet is the largest on record, although the number of catching boats has been reduced by 35 to 222.

This reduction was only obtained after a hard-fought battle by the Norwegians at the International Whaling Conference last summer. And even then the Russians refused to enter the agreement.

The average tonnage of the catching boats this year is 542 tons, compared with 513 tons last year and 295 tons in the 1937-38 season. Each year the equipment aboard the whaling fleets becomes more and more efficient and the certainty of a catch progressively greater, so that each year the actual catching season becomes shorter as the total is reached sooner.

THE RED LIGHT

This inevitably leads to an increasingly uneconomic catch since the whales, and the blue whale in particular which is the most valuable, get fatter and more full of oil as the season progresses and the plankton and other food on which they feed becomes richer as the summer nears its end at the close of March and early April.

So each year sees the world's whaling companies spending more and more money on expensive new equipment to catch thinner whales producing each year less and less oil.

Already the Norwegians and British whaling companies have seen the red light and have repeatedly warned the International Whaling Commission and interested governments that if drastic alterations are not soon made in the whaling regulations the end of the whale and all its economic value is in sight.

TURNING POINT?

Already the South Africans have sold their only whaling fleet to a Japanese company and the largest British whaling company recently attempted to sell one-third of its entire fleet to a Japanese firm.

This season may well be a turning point in the history of whaling.—United Press.

PREMATURE

A letter dated Swindon, Wiltshire, on February 4, 1957, was received at Swindon, Wiltshire, on February 4.

INGRID WON'T MEET PRINCESS

London. INGRID BERGMAN turned down an invitation the other day to be presented to Princess Margaret.

From Paris, where she is playing in "Ten and Sympathy," she sent her apologies to Mr. Billy Wallace, friend of the Princess—"I am very tired after my recent American trip."

Mr. Wallace proposed Miss Bergman should be presented at the charity showing in London next Thursday of her new film, "Anastasia." He is helping to organise the premiere.

The Cost

In addition to Miss Bergman's present commitments and her tiredness, there is the cost. When she went to America to receive the New York critics' award for her "Anastasia" performance 20th Century-Fox had to take out a £100,000 personal insurance.

A battle has just ended between 20th Century-Fox and a German company who produced another version of the story of the last Czar's daughter.

Both films were to have had their London premiere on the same night. Then the distributors of the German version fixed a date two days earlier "to avoid embarrassing Princess Margaret."

THE STRANGE CASE OF THE BATHROOM BLACKMAILERS

Norwood. It was blackmail with a difference—the blackmailers were prisoners and their victim was free.

Three-year-old Ann Campbell, with her baby brother, Stephen, locked themselves in the bathroom at their aunt's house in Maberley Crescent, Norwood. Then they refused to come out.

"We want sweets or we start screaming." Down on her knees went their aunt, Mrs. Heather Todd. Under the door went the sweets.

Never give in to a blackmailer. The bathroom garrison demanded picture books and more sweets. An hour later Mrs. Todd called for reinforcements.

The fire brigade arrived. Off came the bathroom door. Out marched two sticky-fingered children.

The case of the Bathroom Blackmailers was closed.

Protestant Told 'Must Be Married In Roman Catholic Church'

Geneva. A Baptist minister who was once a Roman Catholic has been refused permission to marry outside the Roman Catholic Church in Spain, the Ecumenical Press Service reported.

The press service, published by the World Council of Churches, said this was the first marriage application filed

under a new Spanish decree, issued last October, which for the first time permits civil marriage for non-Catholics. But it said the application, in the town of Villaverde, was refused on the basis of a letter from the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Madrid-Alcala which pointed out that the Baptist couple had been baptised as Roman Catholics.

The Things People Leave Behind

Chicago.

Joe Baksha's job is like "opening a bunch of surprise packages, every day."

Baksha, 29, checks the 1,000 coin-operated storage lockers at the Union Station. He opens those in which customers have overstayed the 24-hour limit.

"And you never know what you'll find," he adds.

Most often it's a traveller's suitcase, a shaving kit or a serviceman's barracks bag. But minor surprises included a bowl of goldfish, a turtle in a partially zippered shaving kit and eight parakeets in a cage.

"I had to feed those goldfish for five days before a lady showed up and claimed them," Baksha said.

Rattlesnake Too

But even more surprising was the rattlesnake. "Naturally, I thought it was alive," Baksha said. "It was slithering me right in the eye. Luckily it was a stuffed snake some taxidermist had left."

Often the Police or FBI are interested in Baksha's discoveries. Once he found \$17,000 neatly bundled in a shopping bag. It had been taken in a hold-up at the Western Electric Co.

"I still remember the locker number," Baksha said. "J-341." Another time Baksha opened the door to happiness for a Milwaukee camera shop owner. The man's store had been robbed five years previously.

Five Keys

One day he got an anonymous letter from the thieves, who said they had been unable to sell the loot. They enclosed five keys to Union Station lockers, and apologized for the inconvenience they had caused.

"When we opened those lockers we found them crammed with about \$10,000 worth of cameras, lenses and other stuff," Baksha said.

On another occasion Baksha found a drawer full of narcotics

PRISON RECORD NO BAR TO 'PERFECT BUTLER'

London.

A South American diplomat said he would not fire his butler with a prison record because "one doesn't get rid of perfect butlers these days."

Argentine Minister Carlos E. Echagüe said he knew all about the record of 36-year-old Victor Sparkes, who went to jail in 1952 after being

convicted of taking part in a £55,000 jewel theft from the Duke and Duchess of Sutherland.

Sparkes was the valet, and got the nickname of "the perfect butler" because of his elegant dress and manners.

The London morning newspaper, the Daily Mail, reported the servant's criminal record, but Mr. Echagüe said he would not fire Sparkes, who still maintains that he was wrongly convicted.

"One doesn't get rid of perfect butlers these days," the Argentine diplomat said, "and as long as the authorities have no objections I certainly have none. He is a most excellent butler."

The Argentine embassy said it considered the butler's affair "strictly a personal domestic problem."—United Press.

Now His Friends Won't Let Him Rest

London.

Three weeks ago Ronald Macdonald, 40-year-old clerk of Hertfordshire, was a leading a normal, contented life.

Then his 38-year-old wife, Rosemary, decided to make him a nightshirt. Not a conventional striped nightshirt but a "shortie" in blue with red trimmings.

Ronald was pleased, because he hates wearing pyjamas. But the colour and the design were two things he would rather have kept "in the family."

And that might still have been the case today but for his nimble-fingered wife.

She was so delighted with the finished results that she simply had to tell someone about it.

So she wrote to a newspaper, giving all the intimate little details, like the stitching (in red), the cost (£1-1-6) or (HK\$17) and the material (blue poplin).

The letter was printed with an artist's drawing of Ronald wearing the nightshirt.

That did it.

He was ragged by his friends, his neighbours, and his pals at work.

People in the street stopped to pull his leg about it, and tough Rigger friends rang him



Ronald's new nightshirt as TV viewers saw it.

up at work to say: "Ronald, it was lovely, you looked so sweet and fresh."

Said Ronald: "I don't think I'll ever live it down. I can't go into the local without someone mentioning it, and as for the chaps at the club, heaven knows what they'll say."

Over to Mrs. Macdonald. "People have been pulling my leg unmercifully, too. Whoever would have thought that a nightshirt would cause all this fuss?"

Does Ronald wear the nightshirt regularly?

"You bet I do," he said. "It's just the thing if you can't stand pyjamas."

DUSTMEN TOLD NO 'PERKS'

London.

THE dustman's right to "perks" was tested in the High Court last week.

Six Bristol dustmen were appealing against convictions for stealing house refuse.

Their counsel, Mr. Henry Newman, defined "perks" also known as "trotting"—picking out pieces of refuse from dustbins, selling them to dealers, and sharing the proceeds.

The appeal was dismissed with costs by the Queen's Bench Divisional Court, Lord Goddard, Lord Chief Justice, with the agreement of Mr. Justice Cassels and Mr. Justice Lynskey—ruled that refuse put out by a householder remained his property till taken away by the local authority.

'UNTEENABLE'

He also made it clear that the plea of the dustmen that refuse in dustbins was abandoned property was "wholly untenable."

Footnote: Bristol dustmen will still get their perks through the corporation. It sells salvageable material and part of the proceeds is shared out among the men. Average bonus: 10s. per week.

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When we wear a watch, we take good care of it and look at it with delicate interest; following this, we would probably imagine how such a wonderful watch is made. This is, no wonder, our desire for knowledge and is quite usual to us.

At the magnificent city of Neuchatel, famous watch-making centre in picturesque Switzerland, thousands have visited The Ernest Borel Watch Factory since its establishment in 1859 nearly a century ago. Among the visitors are common people, merchants as well as nobles.

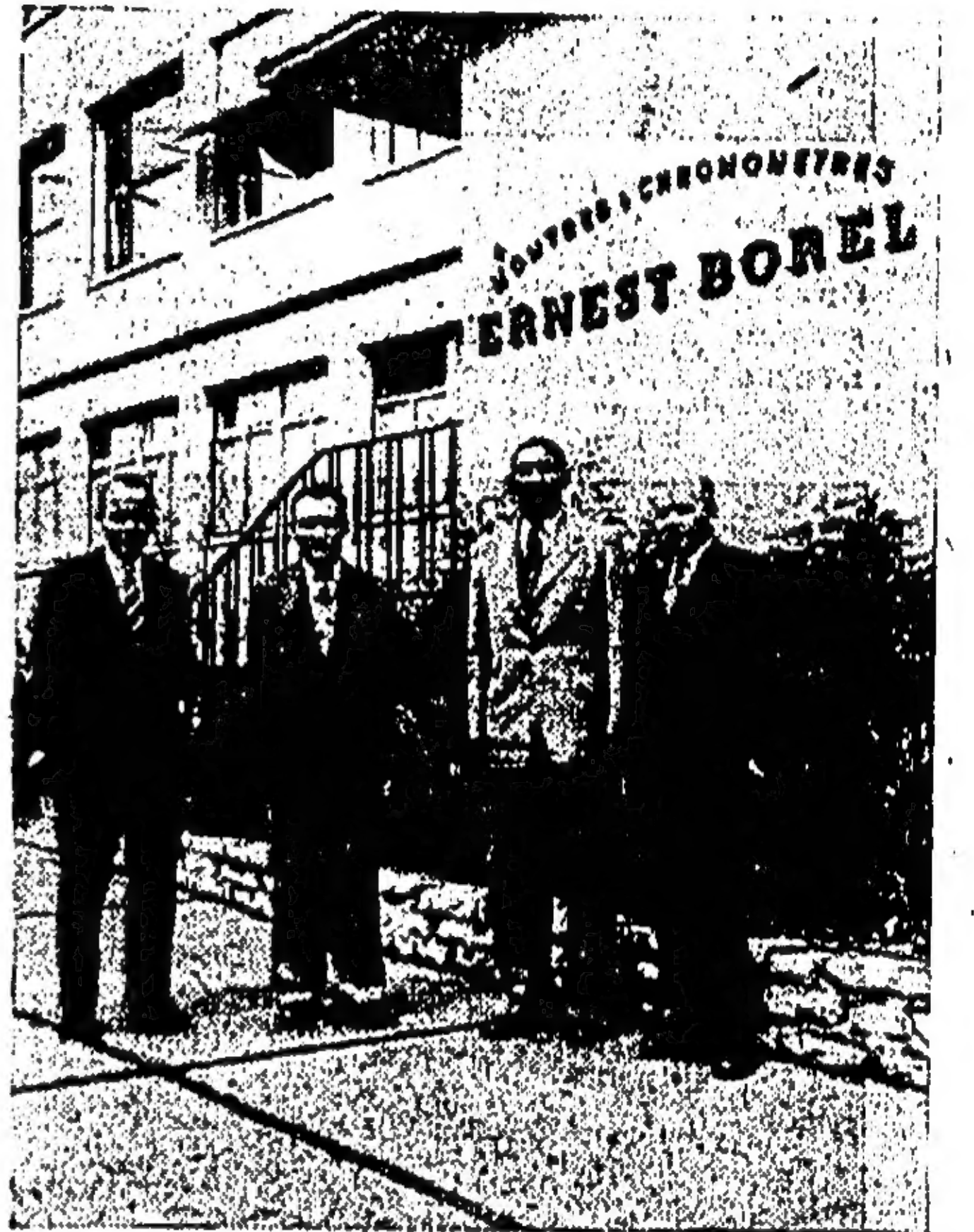
On one occasion, take for instance, Prince Constantin Bereng of Basutoland, Africa, on the way of his tour round the world, went to Switzerland expressly to find out how a watch is made. In fact, everyone who loves travelling goes to Switzerland; for, as we know, Switzerland is a place of beautiful scenery, her people are honest, and moreover, she is the birthplace of modern watches and clocks. The Prince, like ordinary people, was clever at grasping the opportunity to pay a visit to the Ernest Borel Watch Factory—the one which is nowadays considered as one of the most progressive and the only one which always has new ideas. The fancy "Cocktail" watches are made in this well-known factory. He made a right choice because he was visiting one of the leading watch factories in Switzerland. No sooner was he inside the factory than he was cordially received by Mr. Jean-Louis Borel, President of the Board of Directors, and Mr. Henri Du-Pasquier, Vice-President of the Board of Directors of the Factory. The future king of Basutoland was then taken on a conducted tour to "have a look" inside every department of the Factory. Undoubtedly, Prince Constantin Bereng was surprised at the wonderful apparatus and equipment he saw. He not only warmly praised the magnificent establishment, but also saw that all the watches made by the Ernest Borel Watch Factory are of very reliable workmanship, and that absolutely no rough work is involved in the manufacture.

Without doubt, the Prince expressed his sincere satisfaction before he left the factory.

It can be imagined that he was deeply impressed by Mr. J. L. Borel who is a very amiable and highly educated person. Under the efficient leadership of Mr. J. L. Borel, the Company is making long strides of progress in business. He spares no efforts in his continuous researches in order to make his "watches" fulfill the requirements of our time. Moreover, he is always seeking refinement in what he has accomplished. It is no wonder that Ernest Borel watches are so famous all over the world.

Mr. Henri Du Pasquier, the Vice-President of the Ernest Borel Watch Factory, is himself a famous banker and honourable military officer. He is a very capable man who has great talents for originality. The Ernest Borel Cocktail watch is one of his inventions, which makes him more famous not only in Switzerland but also in other parts of the globe. It is really no exaggeration to say that he is a great inventor in our Atomic Age.

Above is a photograph taken outside the premises of the Ernest Borel Watch Factory at Neuchatel, Switzerland, on occasion of the visit by the African Prince.



"Cocktail."

The watch with a lively magic face

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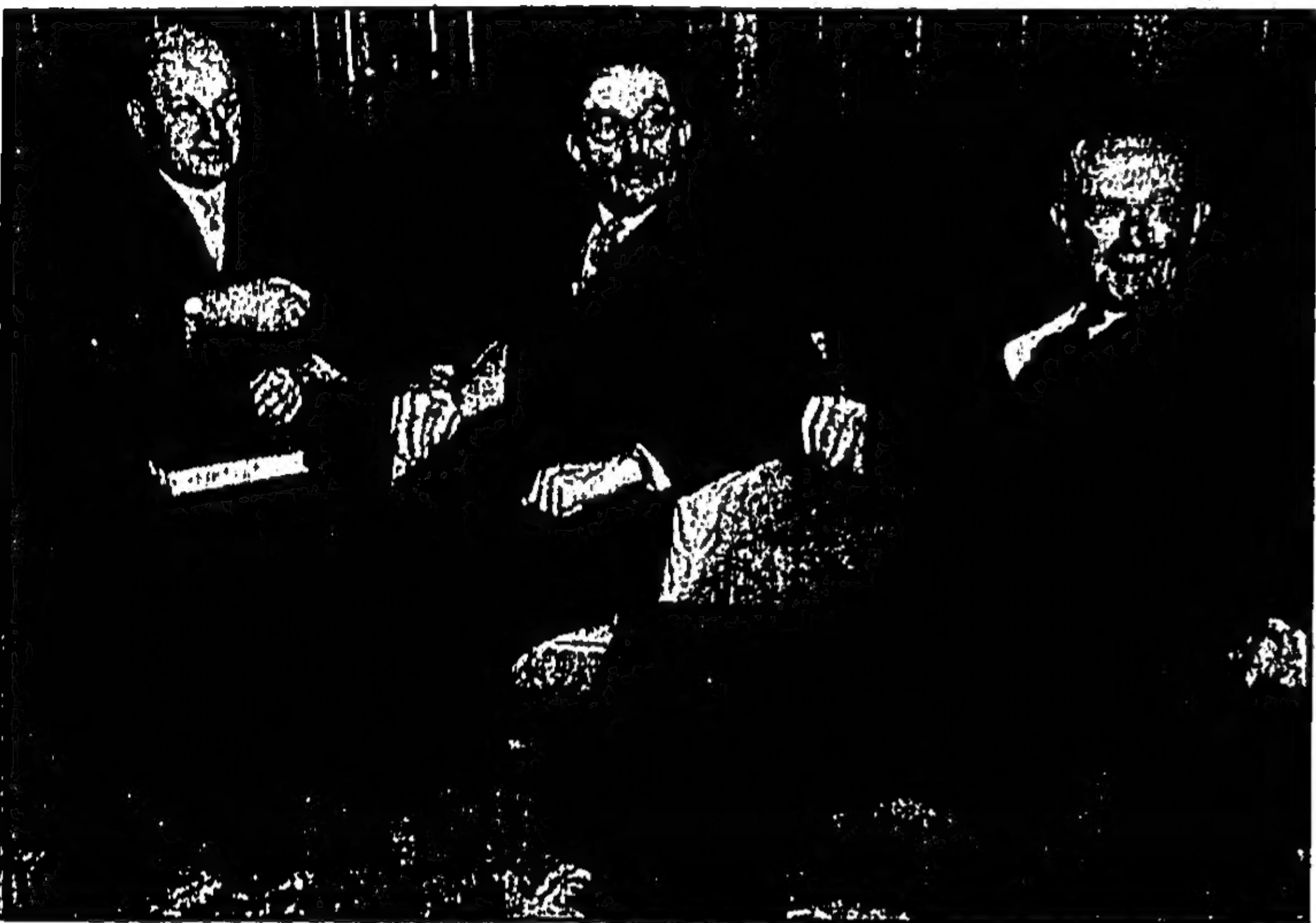
HOMESIDE PICTORIAL



MISS Droussoula Demetriadou of Cyprus came to London to denounce a Cypriot killer. He shot down a Nicosia policeman before her eyes — her fiancé. On-the-spot reporter Nicos Sampson (19) gave a graphic description in his newspaper. Now on Droussoula's evidence he has been charged with leading the murder gang. (Express)



MR & MRS T. S. Elliot — back from their hide-away honeymoon on the Italian border. (Express)



RELEASE of Field Marshal Lord Alanbrooke's war diaries was an occasion which collected 115 generals, 29 admirals, and 43 air marshals at the Dorchester Hotel. Here (from left) Lord Portal — Marshal of the Royal Air Force; Lord Alanbrooke; and Viscount Admiral Cunningham. (Express)



LEFT: America's Rock 'n' Rolling Bill Haley found the RMS Queen Mary also digging in a groove when he crossed the Atlantic for his current tour. (Express)

BELOW: The Duke of Gloucester inspects the guard of honour during a visit to the headquarters of 16 Independent Parachute Brigade at Aldershot. (Express)



TURBO-PROP Bristol Britannia has taken over the famous "Comet" service — an everyday flight between London and Johannesburg. (Express)

RIGHT: There is, of course, always the remote possibility that it is just a publicity stunt, but Hollywood actor Steve Cochran and the blonde British showgirl with heavily insured bosom trouble Sabrina are rumoured to be engaged. Tibetan papers please copy. (Express)



LEFT: Zizi Jeanmaire arrives seasonably dressed in London from Paris for premiere of her unseasonably dressed new film — Folies Bergere. (Express)

RIGHT: He worked too hard, so British lighterman Vic Woods is in trouble with his union. His family have been on the Thames 100 years. So Vic thought nothing of hauling in and tying up four barges (600 tons) single handed. Trouble is — the Union did. (Express)



BELOW: Back broken and keeled over on the jagged rocks of Mull — the trawler Robert Limbrick of Milford Haven. Huge waves prevented rescue. Two bodies were recovered and 10 feared lost. (Express)



BAR tender's-eye view of Macmillan. It was the scene at the Bull in Chislehurst (Kent) at the annual dinner of the Bromley Conservative Association. (Express)



NANCY

By Ernie Bushmiller



Washington Report

By ALEXANDER BROAD

A NEW CANAL

THE Pentagon and the State Department are actively considering building a new Panama Canal.

Already, the government of Nicaragua has agreed to cede to the U.S. the necessary land for an entirely sea level canal running through its country.

Already, too, fairly accurate estimates of cost have been drawn up. It would cost about 4½ billion dollars.

The reasons behind the rush are not hard to find. Panamanian nationalism has always been a potential problem. Col. Nasser's success in Suez has, at least, started Panamanian thinking.

Furthermore, the Panama Canal is extremely vulnerable. It is an intricate system of narrow locks which could be put totally out of action by a carefully planned bomb or a scuttled ship.

Finally, the existing canal is rapidly getting too small. It is already too narrow for some ships.

Of course, it could be widened—for a lot less than 4½ billion. A new canal alongside it could also be built somewhat more cheaply.

That would solve the third problem—but not of course, the first two. The new canal would also be extremely vulnerable and the Panamanians who tend to think that they don't quite get a square deal out of the existing set-up would become still more restive at the sight of new riches.

The sea level canal through Nicaragua would be longer but just because it would be a sea level canal, it would be less vulnerable.

Finally, the Nicaraguans think the money they would get from the U.S. for transit rights would be well worth their while.

The Americans, too, reckon it would be well worth their while. Because, of course, they could then play the Nicaragua off against the Panamanians thereby throwing any temptation to Nasserism.

A NEW PLANE

Somewhere over Texas an outdated B-30 makes daily flights.

From its tail project two air scoops. On its tail, too, is a strange device which indicates the presence of radiation. Behind it flies another aircraft with engineers ready to jump out and catch off the area should the B-30 crash.

A one megawatt atomic plant is in the B-30. It is the forerunner of the atom-powered aircraft and massive secrecy surrounds its daily activities.

The "crash" programme to beat the Russians to atom planes is on in deadly earnest. It is costing a 100 million a year and it will cost nearly a billion dollars before the first genuinely atom-powered aircraft is ready.

That will be in 1962 or 1963. Meanwhile, defence chiefs and congressmen are growing worried. They fear the Russians are ahead of them. For the problem of catching the atom to air power is proving far more intractable than everybody had hoped.

Still, the B-30 and the estimates of a date indicate that it will be solved.

The Atom Age

An advisory committee has recommended that the U.S. give up the "Methuselah" system—under which servicemen received regular increases in pay just for staying alive, in the forces, and out of trouble.

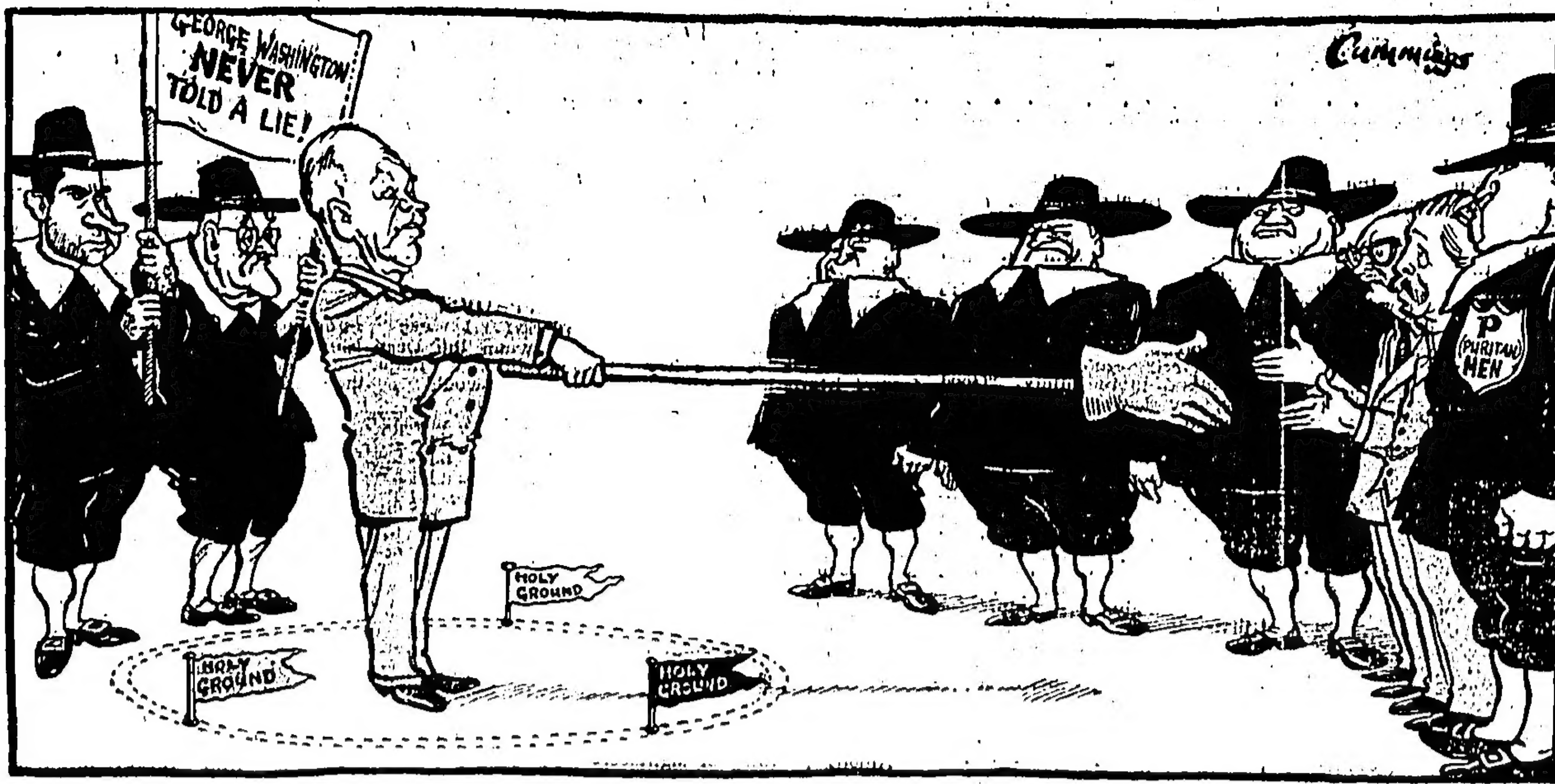
They reckon this saps initiative, costs money because the army doesn't get eager types and the others are harder to train, and leads to dunderheads getting rich.

Its introduction, however, will cost an immediate 650 million dollars a year because it recommends higher pay scales to begin with. The savings will come—if they come—in the long run.

In future a lieutenant who could nearly double his pay by just staying where he was for 14 years will find that after the first two years in that tank he gets no richer.

...needs brains

Well, of course, it had to happen. In the New York Times has appeared an ad, which goes like this: "Fabulous Flamingo Hotel in Las Vegas staging lavish productions built around sixteen girls holding doctorates in any subject from accredited universities. Not to be confused with chorus girls...slight dancing ability necessary and good looks too."



Next Big Three Conference: His Altitude the President receives Mac and Molot.

America And Germany: The New New Deal

Warmer & Warmer Gets The Big Love Affair

by DONALD LUDLOW

A GREAT link-up between the heavy industries of America and Germany is being forged anew. Its first pickings may well be a large share of markets previously held by Britain in the Middle East, Africa, Asia, and South America.

In short, in every part of the world where the words "Made in Britain" might stand as a synonym for "Colonialism," American foreign policy looks on Germany with an ever-increasingly warm eye.

This latest development is perhaps one of the most important since West Germany became a member of NATO. And the motive spurring the American and West German industrialists is by collaboration to ensure themselves against political upheavals not only in Europe but in the whole world.

One after another the buying offices of big American firms are moving from Paris and other Western European capitals to Dusseldorf, the industrial capital of the Ruhr.

Contracts signed so far do not yet indicate a move to restore the giant international cartels of pre-war days which were based on the sharing of patents, markets, price fixing, and the exchange of stocks.

The new idea is collaboration in projects in the under-developed countries, exchange of technical information, and the use of German machinery by American firms in foreign countries.

America's makers of heavy machinery have now more

orders on their books than they can fill. So they are looking to Germany which in 10 years has outstripped Britain in this field.

Last year the total value of machinery produced in West Germany was 4,167 million dollars—an increase of 10 percent over the previous year.

Germany's machinery exports were valued at 1,405 million dollars—an increase of 23 percent over 1955.

Such a rate of growth is unparalleled in Western Europe.

AGGRESSIVE

GERMAN manufacturers have also caught American eyes by their aggressiveness in market research for designing new equipment and in forcing the pace of production.

Important contracts signed between America and West Germany in recent months include:

THYSSEN HUTTE (steel) with the ARMO

STEEL CORPORATION of Middletown, Ohio, for a 10,000,000-ton rolling mill in West Germany and a plant in the Argentine.

BOCHUMERWERKE (steel) with ARMO for the production of steel for electrical equipment.

KLOCKNER STEEL of Dusseldorf with REPUBLIC STEEL CORPORATION for an exchange of processing information.

KRUPPS of Essen with the BLAW-KNOX COMPANY of Pittsburgh for a rolling mill in West Germany.

HUGE MILL

KRUPPS with KOPPERS COMPANY of Pittsburgh to exchange information.

W. S. SCHLIEKER of Essen with the OLIN MATHIESSEN Chemical Corporation for three 18,000-ton ore carrier ships in Hamburg.

HENRY J. KAISER Company for German equipment bought through its new offices in Dusseldorf for the new Tata steel mill in India engineered by Kaiser. The Tata mill will have a capacity of 1,000,000 tons a year.

THE BECHTEL CORPORATION of San Francisco for buying through its Dusseldorf office equipment for an oil refinery in Colombia.

MARCHAND CALCULATOR Company of Detroit plant in Bremen.

CATERPILLAR TRACTORS and the INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER have both established offices in Dusseldorf.

HARNISCHFEGGER CORPORATION of Milwaukee, makers of road-building equipment, has set up a factory in Dortmund and has moved its European offices from Paris to Dusseldorf.

The Dusseldorf branch of the BANK OF AMERICA is

humming with inquiries from American concerns seeking either business in West Germany or co-operation with West German companies.

WARMER

Yes, the German-American embrace is getting warmer.

British business men will have to be pretty wide awake to avoid being hurt by it.

A bet with a baby

and he made the

Fastest Wheels On Earth

by GNIK DEEPS

NEARLY 70 years ago John Boyd Dunlop, a Scottish veterinary surgeon then living in Belfast, Northern Ireland, perfected an invention that is now in use the world over on all types of road vehicles, from bicycles to heavy articulated lorries.

Shortly before her death in December, 1866, his daughter, Mrs. Jean McClintock, recalled how, as a child of eight, she saw Dunlop make the first pneumatic tyre, an experiment that was to make his name world-famous.

"My brother," said Mrs. McClintock, "had been given a tricycle, and in an unguarded moment my father said to him 'I can make you the fastest wheels in the world.' From then on he was given no peace, so he set to work in the spare bedroom, and I well remember my mother being very upset by the confusion when it was turned into a temporary workshop with a motley assortment of strips of rubber, cloth, elm, solution and scissors strewn all over the place. She became considerably ruffled when the American 'elm' strips were left soaking in the bath to make them pliable to bend. In fact, the whole house was disorganised—a trying situation for any woman. However, my father continued to work quite happily.

Not An Accident

"Today I had it almost impossible to realise the difficulties he had to face, and the opposition and ridicule he had to endure in those days in the 'eighties. But tenacity of purpose was one of his strongest characteristics, and neither dejection nor discouragement could turn him from what he had once made up his mind to do.

"There is, I believe, a general impression that the invention of the rubber pneumatic tyre was a sudden inspiration. This is quite untrue.

"From boyhood, my father had been interested in scientific problems, particularly those of transport. He had always recognised the waste of power and reduction of speed produced by the uneven road surfaces of his time. Many methods of damping vibration between the rim of the wheel and the axle occurred to him. He thought of flexible spokes, fat springs and coiled springs, but discarded them all, and finally decided that vibration must be intercepted at the source—that is, between the road and the rim.

So Simple, But—

"He had very little time for actual experiments, as he was kept busy at his veterinary work. Not until he was about to retire at the age of 40 did he have the opportunity to try out his ideas. It was then that the idea came to him of enclosing all under pressure in a rubber and canvas tube placed between the road and the rim. It sounds

so simple and obvious now, but that is true of most of the really revolutionary inventions.

"Although I was only eight years old at the time, and too young to know what it was all about, I distinctly remember my father's first pneumatic tyre being tested by the rolling of two wheels, one the small front driving wheel from my brother Johnny's tricycle, and the other a disc of wood round which my father's pneumatic tyre was held by a covering of this linen.

The tyre was blown up with Johnny's football pump and the valve tied as you do a football.

"My father asked his assistant John Caldwell which of the two tyres would be the faster. The small one from the tricycle," said he. But when my father threw it along the yard it did not go the full length. The disc with the air tyre not only went the whole length of the yard but bounded back from the gate at the end.

"The Hosioppe Myth"

"I should like to make it very plain that my father never thought of using a hosioppe. The story that he did so came up now and again. He called it 'The Hosioppe Myth.' He understood too well what qualities were required for speed and comfort to consider it. A hosioppe fitted around a wheel would have been slower than an ordinary solid tyre. The actual tests he made on the road were with two tricycles and a bicycle.

"My brother Johnny was delighted with his new tricycle.

In fact he was able to hold his own over a short distance against two well-known riders who were mounted on good-class solid-tyred machines. Both of these riders subsequently tried my brother's machine, and were amazed at its speed. The only question now was how the tyres were going to wear.

"My father's next move was to order a bicycle without wheels. He got strips of mild steel and had them shaped in rollers to form the rims which were to take the pneumatic tyres. He fitted the tyres himself, using best quality yacht sail-cloth for the inextensible covers. This bicycle was subjected to even more severe tests, and was ridden for 3,000 miles (4,828 kilometres). The front tyre was never punctured nor removed from the rim during that time.

Revolutionary Invention

"My father has written how great an importance he attached to the fact that he made and fitted the first bicycle tyre and to have the honour of presenting the bicycle on which it was fitted to the Royal Scottish Museum.

"Not only did his invention revolutionise road transport, but indirectly it helped the development of the internal combustion engine. High speed on the road would be impossible without the pneumatic tyre, however powerful the engine. This in turn helped aviation, where light and efficient engines have been evolved from experience gained on the road."

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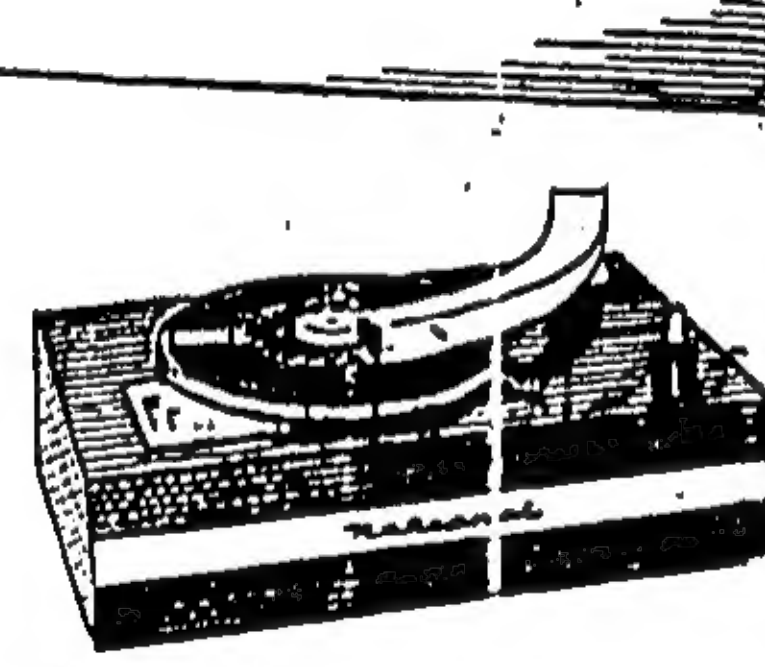
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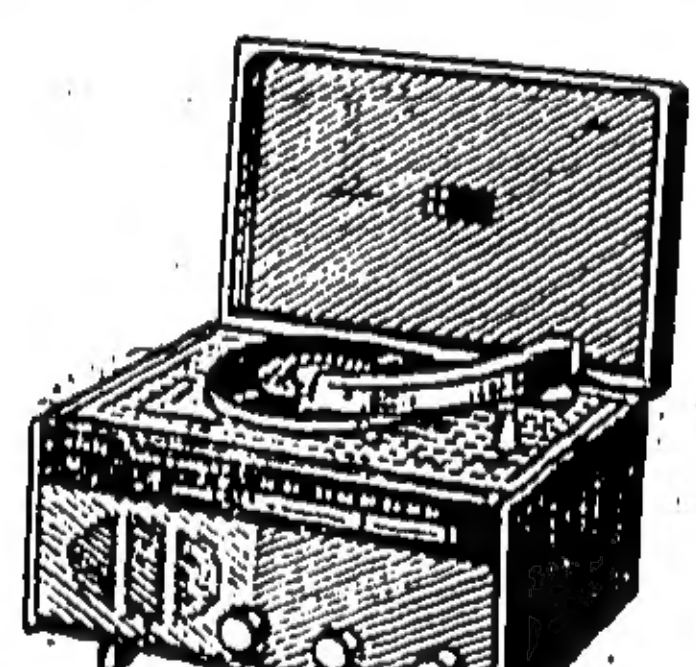
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BRING ON THE GIRLS—Says Oxford

ACROSS the front page of Cherwell, the Oxford University magazine, ran a headline that set undergraduate hearts rejoicing:—

"THE GIRLS ARE COMING!"

No longer will too many men chase too few girls (present ratio: six to one)

whose numbers have been limited by what Sir Maurice Bowra, Warden of Wadham, called "foolish, snippy restriction."

A new statute, steered through Congregation by Sir Maurice, opens the door equally to the sexes. We, laured the university to get some key opinions. Said Sir Maurice (a bachelor): "Undergraduates are right. The present ratio value of girls is very bad for them."

"Of course, I have no power to get women into the men's clubs or the Union. I wonder what's cooking there?"

What was cooking there we got from the diarch Union's treasurer, Peter Brooke: "Women have always been barred here — and will be."

VERY SPOILT

The editor of Isis, 21-year-old darkly handsome Alan Han-

cock, told us: "The trouble with the girls in colleges now is that they're absolutely spoilt."

All that would end it, undergraduates were able to be more selective with our girl friends.

"Let them come as soon as we can find accommodation for them. They'll be welcomed with open arms — literally!"

Cherwell editor Brian Jones concurred more mildly. "Good idea," he said. "As I've just become engaged to an undergraduate I'm not in a position to have strong ideas about keeping women out. I'd even be for letting them into the Union."

We got the feminine viewpoint at Lady Margaret Hall from dignified Miss Lucy Sutherland, the principal.

"Don't give the impression that there has been been hostility between the sexes here," she said anxiously. "There has only been a difference of principle."

"I was at the meeting when the limitation on women students was imposed. I was 25 — an undergraduate. The men were very nervous in those days — afraid that the university might be swamped by women."

As we left the town, the men couldn't wait for the tidal wave.

THE BUSY EARL

I REMINDED the 21-year-old Earl of Wharfedale that he should have been back at school a week ago — he is a pupil (spasmatically) at the Royal Agricultural College, Cirencester. "Really," he said. "I didn't know term had started..."

He's been rather busy at home lately, making a recording of "Shake, Rattle and Rock" —

the earl on drums, a stone merchant (piano), and a fish-monger (bass).

THE MASTER

I WENT to a singing lesson — not as a pupil but to meet the master, Manillo di Veroli, who once taught the great Gissi.

As I climbed one of the narrowest and steepest flights of stairs I have ever had to face, I heard a piano tinkling and a contralto singing. The studio, in Marylebone, was an odd cluster of a room... two grand pianos, the tops of each covered with tasselled silken drapes, and smothered with signed photographs... a great deal of ebony Japanese furniture, black and gold chairs, and green walls.

While I was there Harry Secombe came in. Secombe is the great clown who also wants to be a great operatic singer.

GRIMY ST PAUL'S

I STOOD outside St Paul's the other day. And I felt ashamed.

Among a crowd of sightseers I heard a child say, "But, Oh isn't St Paul's dirty?"

She was right, of course. So I telephoned the Dean, Dr W. R. Matthews, about the state of his cathedral. Can nothing be done about it?

This is what he told me. "Cleaning the cathedral is part of our plan for the restoration of the cathedral. The cleaning alone will cost £70,000."

"Some of the grime of centuries is so ingrained that it will take a major effort to clean the outside."

The cleaning, he told me, will have to wait till the interior restoration work has been done — and that will take the Ministry of Works staff well

into 1958, possibly 1959, before it is anywhere near being finished."

A fund for the restoration of the cathedral has now brought in £250,000. "The target is still £1,000,000."

APPROVE?

THEN... I was astonished when the Dean said: "Do you think a major cleaning operation would be the right thing for St Paul's?"

Would it really improve the outside? Would you approve of the final result?

I hesitated. One of the world's most famous buildings — the one that has 157 penny red stamps — the Dean said: "I would like to see the cathedral as it is now."

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into a building really fit for a queen.

There is one danger about cleaning St Paul's that I can appreciate, though. I was told that instead of turning white it might turn a shade of pink. That would never do.

ON THE DOORSTEP

MR J. ARTHUR RANK could well make a film round the life of his chief public relations consultant, 66-year-old Sir Kenneth Grubb.

I got him to tell me about his experiences, as a missionary from 1921 to 1936 in the Amazon basin. It sounded like a ready-made scenario for one of those jungle epics.

There was the time, for instance, when he travelled up the Kings — the same Amazon tributary where Colonel Fawcett disappeared — trying to contact a tribe of savage Indians... and got lost for four months.

Sir Kenneth told me: "I lived for that time on rodents, wild turkey, monkeys, which are quite good grilled, and turtle eggs."

"When some tame Indians finally found me I had 4,000 turtle eggs preserved."

On another trip Sir Kenneth disappeared for so long that the *Observer* published his obituary.

FIRE-CRACKER

BALLERINA Zizi Jeanmaire, whom we've heard called a French fire-cracker in lights, smouldered for us the other day on a chaise-longue in her cream-and-green hotel suite.

Alluringly clad in a loose red jumper and a tight, short, black skirt, she relaxed with feline

grace and regarded us with the face of a beautiful cat.

All she wanted to talk about, though, was her 15-month-old daughter Valerie and her husband, ballet-knight Roland Petit (who hovered around to see fair play).

"Valerie Petit! Such a beautiful name to appeal in what you call the lights... My husband, I think 'im wonderful'."

From a corner, Monsieur Petit, who said that Madame was wonderful too, "She is like the wine. The older she gets the sweeter she is."

BOUNCING

We thought she looked twenty-two. "Non. Thirty," said Madame, bouncing up and down with delight.

[In his corner, M. Petit was saying: "But the telephone in the bathroom in England. That is superb, superb!"]

The fire-cracker poured us out a zizzling Scotch and soda. "But for me non. Sometimes the wine with a little water — but that Scotch! Petit! Not for a dancer. I would be stretched out quite flat."

Finally, we got round to the reason for Jeanmaire's visit — the previous night's film premiere of "Folies Bergere."

"I am the star," she said. "So of course I wear plenty of the clothes. The talent is much more important than the figure."

We thought it could be a photo-finish.

As we left, Monsieur was saying in his corner: "But the food in England. It is so good, so good."

See Homeside Pictorial



THE ANNOUNCEMENT that women may now study at Oxford in unlimited numbers was welcomed by most male undergrads. "But," said a well-known warden to a don, "kindly explain to little Miss Whatist that such studies as boat-racing, the placing of utensils on spires, the debagging of Principals, were always — and shall remain — the undisputed privileges of the Male."

THE NEXT MRS HARRISON?

FILM SHOT 1

WEDDING scene in "The Constant Husband" — the film in which Rex Harrison first met Kay Kendall.

EVERY night, in the Broadway musical hit "My Fair Lady," Rex Harrison sang "I'll never let a woman in my life."

But off-stage the suave, 48-year-old charmer is making an exception for the third time.

KAY KENDALL SAYS: I HOPE REX AND I WILL MARRY SOON BUT HONESTLY WE'VE MADE NO DEFINITE PLANS YET

By EDWARD GORING
in London
and CHRISTOPHER LUCAS
in New York

And she is red-headed British star Kay Kendall. Mrs Rex Harrison I. was Miss Marjorie Thomas. The marriage was dissolved in 1942.

Mrs Rex Harrison II. was Austrian actress Lilli Palmer.

Recently their tempestuous 13-year-old marriage ended when she got a Mexican divorce on the ground of incompatibility.

Mrs Rex Harrison III? Friends say it will be 29-year-old Miss Kendall. And Miss Kendall?

She rushed from a film set and said: "I hope Rex and I will marry soon, but honestly we've made no definite plans yet."

Only the other day Kay—now filming in Hollywood—moved from her hotel suite into a sumptuous Beverly Hills home taken by playwright Terence Rattigan. Harrison, who is on a four-week holiday from "My Fair Lady," is also a guest.

They came together in a film three years ago. Title: "The Constant Husband." In it Miss Kendall played the part of one of Mr Harrison's wives.

The studio staff were impressed by the realism the two stars put into the love scenes.

They met frequently for after-theatre suppers while Mr Harrison was appearing in the West End play "Bel, Book, and Candle."

Leading lady in the show was Lilli Palmer. She had a flat. Rex lived in a Mayfair hotel.

A year ago Miss Palmer went off to Germany to film. Her husband went to New York to discuss "My Fair Lady." Miss Kendall, in tears, saw him off at the airport. Later she followed him to the U.S., to Bermuda.

Rebellious, highly strung, Harrison, and sensitive, soft-spoken Lilli have been legally separated for more than two years—but her sudden decision surprised even friends.

Said Lilli: "Let's face it—Englishmen don't like women, at least not in the way that Italians or Frenchmen do."

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Said pay, party-loving Harrison, whom she called "Harrisburg," or "the youngest blimp": "Women either love me or hate me."

Their first troubles began nearly nine years ago when Harrison was grilling by Los Angeles police over the suicide of Hollywood star Carole Landis.

The actress had been found dead in her bedroom by the British actor. Open-hearted Lilli rushed from New York by plane to be at his side.

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'Blimey! I'm not surprised they let 'em go'

RELIEF MEN AND STORES FOR THE SOUTH POLE

by R. W. B. TRUSCOTT

SOME 80 men— young scientists, radio and mechanical technicians— spend two years at a stretch manning the British bases of the Falkland Islands Dependencies. Often it blows cold and rough in these parts of Antarctica; temperatures drop to minus 30 degrees Fahrenheit, wind speeds rise to over 100 miles per hour.

The work these men perform under such conditions is continuous. Meteorological readings are taken at regular intervals night and day, sledging parties survey unexplored regions, the many physical phenomena common to Polar regions are studied.

There is no support from the land for these men— no crops can be grown, the only livestock are huskies. Each of the ten British Antarctic bases is completely dependent for its food, fuel and the equipment it needs for its scientific work, on annual relief by sea.

In Uncharted Waters

It is only during the short Antarctic summer that the ice melts sufficiently to make this relief possible. Even then such voyages are risky operations. Ice can still be a menace to navigation and reaching some of the bases involves negotiating narrow, rocky inlets in uncharted waters. Every relief voyage is in fact a voyage of discovery.

POCKET CARTOON by OSBERT LANCASTER



"Mrs. Cornelius Van Slaughterhouse III, and the welcome committee of the Daughters of the American Revolution to see H.M."

For many years the brunt of these relief duties fell to a wooden-hulled, ex-naval vessel of 900 tons, the Royal Research Ship, John Biscoe. With the limits of her range and cargo capacity she did the job successfully. Since the foundation of the Survey in 1944 its work has grown rapidly. To meet this expansion a new relief vessel of 1,600 tons, bearing the same name as the old one, has gone into service.

The new John Biscoe has been planned from the start for her specialised job and in this respect the ship is unique. First and foremost was the need for a vessel to withstand ice. The forward section of the hull has one-inch thick steel plating, the bows are of the "ice-breaker" type, the screw and rudder are protected by heavy fins. All these features could clearly be seen as the ship neared completion in 1956 on the stocks of Fleming and Ferguson Ltd., the Clyde (Scotland) shipbuilders.

To cope with the special navigation problems in Antarctic waters, the latest radar and radio aids are at the disposal of the deck officers. The bridge is placed high to give clear vision ahead for several miles and a powerful searchlight is mounted on the wing of the bridge. Radar may pick out an iceberg at close quarters but it is comforting during darkness to be able to see it as well.

Protection Against Extreme Cold

In the old John Biscoe there was below decks a place called the "Fidery", the name given to the cramped assortment of bunks, cabins and mess-rooms which accommodated the relief parties of the Falkland Islands Dependencies Survey sailing out to the bases, and the tour-completed men returning. It may have been snug but one had to be on the best of terms with one's neighbours.

All that is changed in the new ship. Messes and rest-rooms resemble dining-rooms and lounges of modern flats. Cabins are spacious, comfortable and plentiful. One cannot perhaps get lost in the new ship but there is plenty of elbow room. All the living-quarters are protected against extreme cold by having their outer walls insulated, while a flow of hot air can be regulated at various

points to maintain a comfortable temperature.

Stowing cargo on the old John Biscoe was also a problem. Almost as much had to be lashed to the decks as could be accommodated in the hold. When the new ship sailed on her maiden voyage from Southampton in November, 1956, the only item above decks was a crate of hydrogen cylinders which arrived shortly before the ship left. What is more important is the ease with which off-loading can be carried out. There are no wharves or harbour facilities at the Antarctic bases and the much needed stores have to be got ashore as best they can. Three powerful electric cranes

on the new ship are going to make this job much easier and safer in the future.

Navigation in ice, accommodation, cargo handling—these are important features incorporated in the design of the new John Biscoe. But where this ship has the main advantage over her predecessor is her vastly increased range. The Antarctic summer is all too short and in that time it is essential that all the bases are visited. The new ship can call at each base with-out refuelling and still have fuel in reserve. Living in blizzards and semi-darkness for half the year it is comforting to know that next season's supplies are outward bound from England in a ship that has every chance of getting through. The designers of the new John Biscoe have seen to that.

DON'T MAKE HIM WASH UP —IT'S DANGEROUS

By CEDRIC CARNE

I WAS going out to dinner when my secretary told me that Mr Boyd had made a late appointment to come to my consulting rooms because of his rheumatism.

But rheumatism to a doctor means a variety of conditions. To tell the doctor you have rheumatism is like asking the waiter to bring you fish.

"What sort of fish?" the waiter will ask. And so the doctor will inquire: "What kind of rheumatism?"

You see, it could mean rheumatic fever, fibrositis, rheumatoid arthritis, osteo-arthritis, lumbago, neuritis and the rest.

RHEUMATISM

From the way Mr Boyd walked gingerly through the door I guessed at once which form of rheumatism he had.

"Yes, it's in the lower part of my back," he said.

In other words, he had an acute attack of lumbago.

Lumbago is a species of "rheumatism" which can occur through engaging in some activity which leads to an unusual strain on the back.

It may come on suddenly when jumping out of bed in the morning or even after washing up dishes over too low a sink. That activity is particularly dangerous for men unused to heavy work.

CRANKING

"I think I got my trouble from cranking the car," Mr Boyd said. "Anyway, now I'll go to work on a bus. Save petrol and my back at the same time."

He was almost happy to hear that he had lumbago. He thought it might have been worse; that he had a slipped disc. But, in fact, lumbago may be due to loosening a disc.

I emphasised that lumbago should be treated promptly to prevent the disc from truly slipping. If all people who suffer from bouts of lumbago look their backache more seriously and did not just try

to walk the pain off, the diagnosis of slipped disc would not be so fashionable, because it would not occur so commonly.

"Well, what do I do, doctor?" asked Mr Boyd.

"It's important to go to bed," I said.

I advised him to rest flat on his back with a small cushion or rolled-up towel propped under the arch of the lower part of the spine. After a while the muscular cramp would subside, particularly if some kind of heat, like a hot-water bottle, were applied to help relax these muscles.

ASPIRINS

"Go back home now," I said, "and have a hot bath. Take a couple of aspirins and then go to bed as I've suggested."

After the pain passes off some stiffness may remain, and it is often helpful to strap the affected area of the back with adhesive plaster for a week or so.

HUNGARY'S URANIUM

by John Lorrie

THE Soviet authorities have been exploiting rich uranium deposits in the Pecs area in Southern Hungary. They have been doing so with great secrecy, in an effort to conceal the fact from the Hungarian people. But the main details have now been disclosed by, among other sources, a leading Hungarian atomic scientist and a Hungarian engineer holding a key position in the uranium mines who recently fled to the West. The gist of the story is this.

After an earlier search in the post-war years uranium deposits—which are described as rich—were found in the Pecs area in the autumn of 1954. The discovery was followed by the conclusion of a secret agreement in 1955 between the Soviet and Hungarian Governments under which the Soviet Union received long-term and exclusive rights to exploit and utilise Hungarian uranium deposits. The exploitation was to be done under the direction of what is described as a Soviet mining company.

At this point the refugee engineer, Mr P. Nagy, provides further details. According to him, 70 percent of the capital investment required for producing uranium ore was to be provided in the form of machinery by the Soviet Union and the remaining 30 percent by Hungary. Hungary is required to repay half the Soviet investment—that is, 35 percent of the whole—in uranium ore. The Soviet Union is to return to Hungary 10 percent of the uranium ore delivered after it has been processed in Soviet works.

Fixing Prices

But at two points certainly and almost certainly at a third point also—it is the Soviet Union which has the crucial power of fixing prices. The certainty of the purchase price paid for Hungarian ore and the processing charge paid by Hungary on the 10 percent returned. The third point is that the Soviet Union decides what is paid for the Soviet machinery supplied. These price-fixing powers mean that Hungary is committed to deliver uranium ore to the Soviet Union on unfavourable terms for an indefinite period.

There is no reason to doubt Mr Nagy's account of these terms, for the Soviet Union has made similar agreements with other satellites and they have unfavourably aroused very bitter feelings in the exploited countries. Polish coal is a case in point.

Two further things concerning the agreement as reported by Mr Nagy should be noted. First, Hungary may not without Soviet consent agree with any other State about the exploitation, in processing, of her uranium ore. Secondly, the agreement applies not only to the deposits discovered when the agreement was made but also to all deposits discovered subsequently. This already has practical importance, for the original deposits at Kovasziget, a village near Pecs, and at Bakony have now been supplemented by deposits discovered at two further places, Pilsborosjono and Balatonfured.

Other sources continue the story. In September 1956, a number of people living in Pecs were ordered to evacuate their homes at 48 hours' notice. Some were allowed to remain in the town; others were told to go elsewhere. They were displaced to provide housing for the families of Soviet workers at the uranium workings in the neighbourhood. These workers included Russian senior technicians, though some Hungarian engineers—Mr Nagy is an example—were recruited as well.

Before the end of the year Soviet equipment had been installed and deliveries of uranium ore to the Soviet Union had begun. The ore was taken in lorries to Mohacs on the Danube and shipped from there in barges to the Black Sea and thence to a Soviet port.

The secrecy which the Russians sought to preserve is shown by the fact that workers were forbidden to divulge that uranium ore was being extracted from mine near Pecs and it was given out that the mine contained only bauxite, the ore from which aluminium is made. The Hungarian authorities were left in the dark about the Pecs mine to such an extent that a leading Hungarian atomic

scientist, Professor Janossy, in an interview recorded by Budapest Radio on November 1, three days before Soviet tanks re-entered the capital, said: "The Soviet authorities closely guarded anything connected with uranium... The Hungarian experts were left in the dark. I, the vice-chairman of the former Atomic Energy Commission, received no information... I do not know the terms of the contract with the Soviet Union."

Resentment

By degrees, however, information that uranium ore was being worked near Pecs trickled out and public feeling against the exploitation of the Pecs deposits for Soviet benefit gradually grew. Half-hearted and misleading admissions were made by Hungarian Ministers, and during Imre Nagy's short period as Premier one of the demands he conceded was that Hungarian uranium should be reserved for use "in accordance with the interests of the nation." The manifesto of the Revolutionary Committee of the Hungarian Intelligentsia, issued on November 17, included a pledge to place "the entire quantity of uranium ore exploited in our territory at the disposal of the international organisation set up to utilise atomic energy for peaceful purposes."

Soon after the outbreak of the Hungarian revolution a Revolutionary Council was founded at the Pecs mine. During the period of fighting the mines near Pecs were the focus of stiff resistance by Hungarian patriot forces. Delegates from the mine got in touch with the Soviet commander in Budapest and were told that they should return to work. The miners replied that they would not do so until the Russians had returned to their own bases, and that if their demands were not met and if attempts were made to force them to work they would destroy the shafts and equipment. Towards the beginning of December it was learned in London that this threat has been fulfilled and that the shafts at the Pecs mine were dynamited and the mine was flooded.

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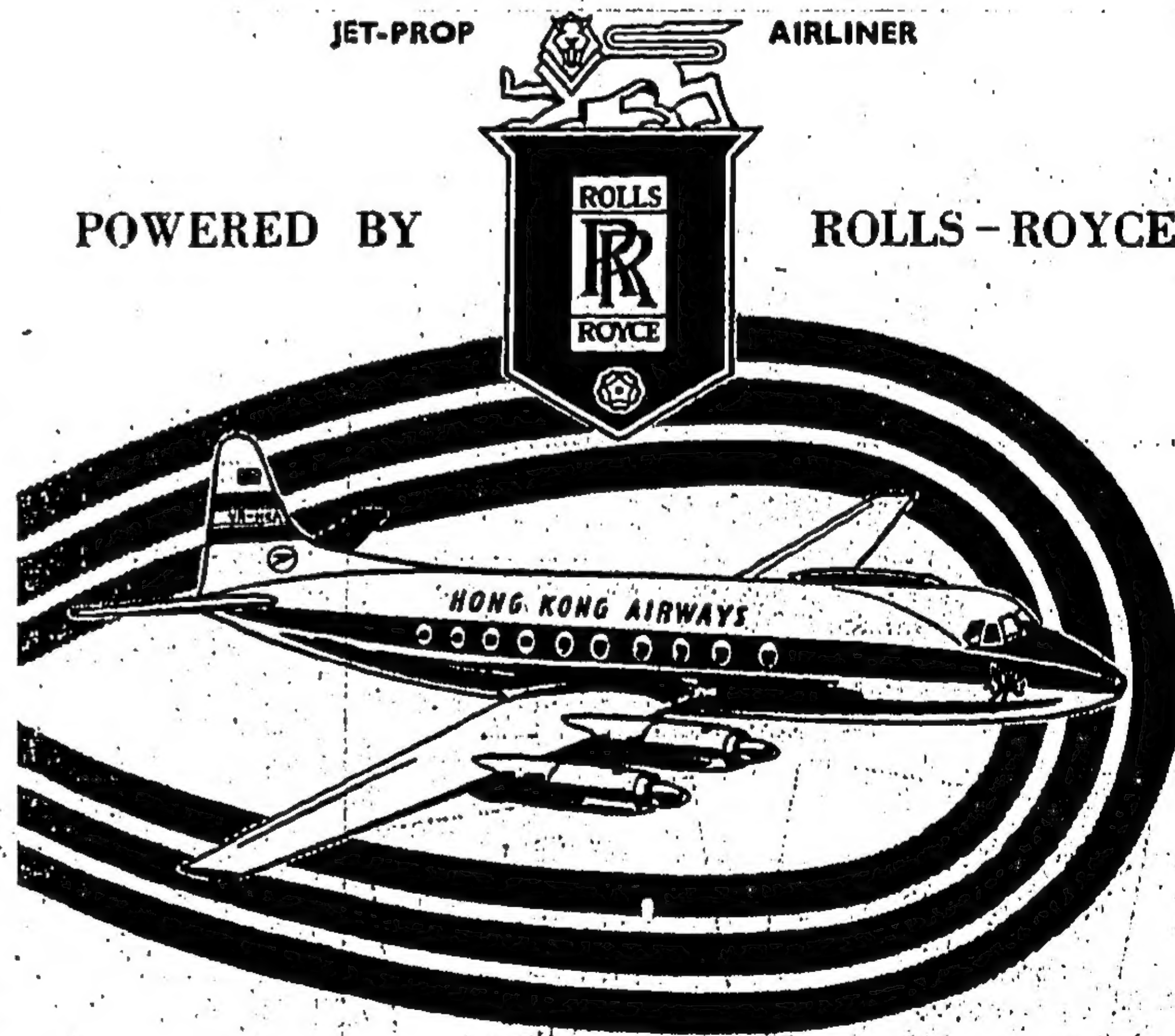
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By Frank Robbins

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PHOTO NEWS

AT THE SURGERY OF BRITAIN'S STRANGEST VOICE DOCTOR

Here's how to SEE how good a High C is

THIS is the first picture ever published of a song-surgeon at work: and what he is doing makes *molto fortissimo* news not only for Harley Street but for everyone who sings — for Maria Callas and Vera Lynn and the star of the local skiffle group. What is he doing? Seeing sound: judging a note not, as your music teacher does, by ear — but by sight. Thus:—

The (Harley Street) song-surgeon asks his patient (in this case Bettina Hayes, wife of Covent Garden's John Langan) to sing — for example — Middle C as he watches her vocal cords.

The flicker

An ordinary doctor would see nothing: for to produce Middle C, Miss Hayes's cords flicker at 256 times a second—just the same as a violin-string or piano-wire. But the song-surgeon uses a device called a stroboscope, which he adjusts to flicker light down Miss Hayes's throat at the Middle C rate of 256 times a second.

Strange result: The flicker of cords and flicker of light "cancel each other out," and the song-surgeon sees Miss Hayes's cords seemingly motionless. But only—and this is the point—only if Miss Hayes's C is absolutely true.

The cure

If there is slight movement then she is not singing



correctly. And by singing with the ever-accurate machine accompanist Miss Hayes and all who sing either for a living or for fun can:—

Find the real reason for "relaxed" and "tired" throats: train themselves like athletes always to hit the right note; specialise by following their natural powers (vocal cords, like feet, come in sizes: from Callas-size to Sabrina-size).

Medicine and music harmonise over the stroboscope.

Says the Express music critic, Noel Goodwin: "Thousands of voices are ruined by bad training — anyone can set up as a singing teacher."

Says the song-surgeon: "With the aid of a little science and mathematics we can now put this right."

Bravo. Bravissimo.



The fans lie in wait for Eddie Constantine

THE face of Eddie Constantine is the texture of corrugated iron and about as pretty as a Neolithic stone-carving.

Despite (or, perhaps because of) this Eddie, an American ex-chorus boy, has become the rage of Paris earning £65,000 a picture and rivaling Lollobrigida as a box-office attraction on the Continent. He has acquired an enormous female following, and an even more enormous bank-balance.

This week London sees him for the first time in the film *Folke Bergere*; and there is talk of it being shown at 30 Rank cinemas throughout the country.

Eddie came over with the film. He talked to me about what his unexpected success has meant to him—and to the French. The characters he portrays are usually tough, violent and hard-drinking.

Says Eddie: "Since my films caught on the sale of whisky has increased 400 percent in France. It has become the smart thing to drink — because on the screen I am always asking for a double Scotch."

It has also become smart for French teenagers to imitate his mispronunciation of the French language.

He estimated that Eddie Constantine, on the screen, drinks an average of two bottles of Scotch a day; in real life he limits himself to three glasses. "If I drank any more," he says, "I would be in no condition to get up to any of the other things I have to do."

On the screen Eddie is always surrounded by beautiful girls and makes more passes than a rugby forward. The real Eddie is happily married, has two children and calls his agent when he needs—as he often does—that misjudged female fans are lying in wait for him.

"I tell some of these girls who now make a play for me that

LIMELIGHT

by THOMAS WISEMAN

a few years ago, when I was unknown, they wouldn't have looked at me. That's why my marriage stays a success; my wife loved me before I was anything—these other girls, they would throw me over tomorrow if I became a flop."

A TAKE-OFF

CONSTANCE BENNETT, who follows rock 'n' roller Tommy Steele into the Café de Paris, says that she will do a take-off of rock 'n' roll that "will make it sound and look even more horrid than it actually is—if that is possible."

I wonder if Mr Steele will be in the audience?

AND MARIA THE TIGRESS LOSES HER SNARL

AFTER my encounter — or I should say collision — with Madame Maria Meneghini Callas I have come to the conclusion that inside every thin prima donna there is a fat prima donna struggling to be let out.

Three years ago Madame Callas weighed 15 st. In other respects, too, she was an outsize character. Today she is down to 9 st. 4 lb. and when I met her at the Savoy Hotel I could not help feeling that her other characteristics were proportionately reduced.

The earlier 15st. Callas was a tigress with a snarl; the new 9st. 4lb. model is a kitten with a misnomer. At times she even

Callas gets for her rules, what Callas says. I never bother about my colleagues. They should have less hysterics about Callas.

"To say that I am temperamental is ridiculous; it is the others who are temperamental, who make the trouble and the nasty gossip—not Callas. The public loves me, so what do I care what other singers say about me. Everybody knows that I am a well-educated woman and when others say bad things about me I just walk away."

I said to her that we had heard she had a magnificent temperament, a fine fury and many enemies. Was this true?

Madame Callas opened her eyes as wide as an ingenué; she was all innocence and incomprehension.

"Temperament?" she said. "I do not have temperament. As for having rivals—how can this be? The others cannot sing what I can sing—so how can I have rivals?"

"Perhaps," I said, "they think you are their rival."

"That I do not know. You have to ask them."

Of course, she added sweetly, there were nasty people in the business who were jealous of her and said nasty things about her.

"I think it would be good," she declared, "if other singers would not bother so much about what Callas does, how much

than ever before. By everybody—except me.

I would have preferred the fatter, fiercer, more fiery prima donna. The one who is reputed to have got baritone Enzo Sordello fired because he sustained a high note longer than she did. The prima donna of whom it has been said that one day she might have to sing operas by herself.

But that, I think, could only be done by a fat prima donna.

(London Express Service).

I asked her if she felt very happy with herself. She said she did, but she had not always felt very happy. Was this current happiness because she was such a big success; because all the tickets for her Covent Garden recital had been sold out before she even arrived in England; because she weighed 9st. 4lb. and was married to a multi-millionaire?

"I am happy because the public loves me. And my husband loves me. And I love him."

"When I was in London last," she said, "I was not happy, because I was not well. But London gave me honours, gave me love. And then I wasn't even thin."

Now Madame Callas is thinner, politer, gentler and more loved

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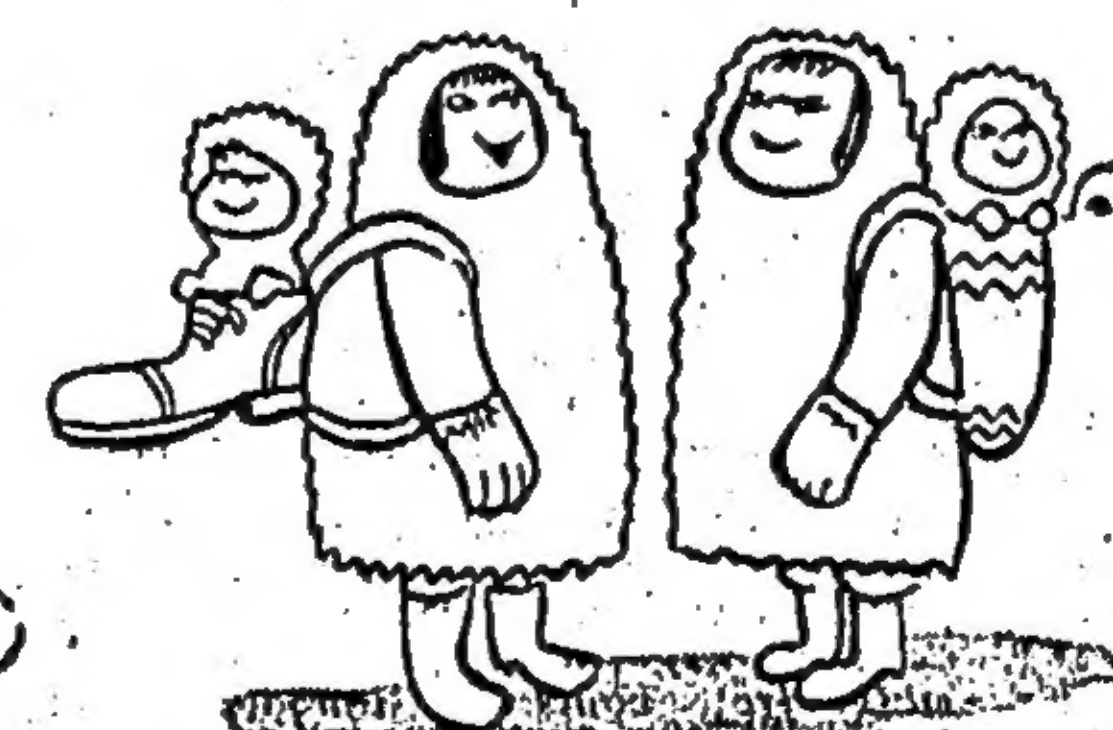
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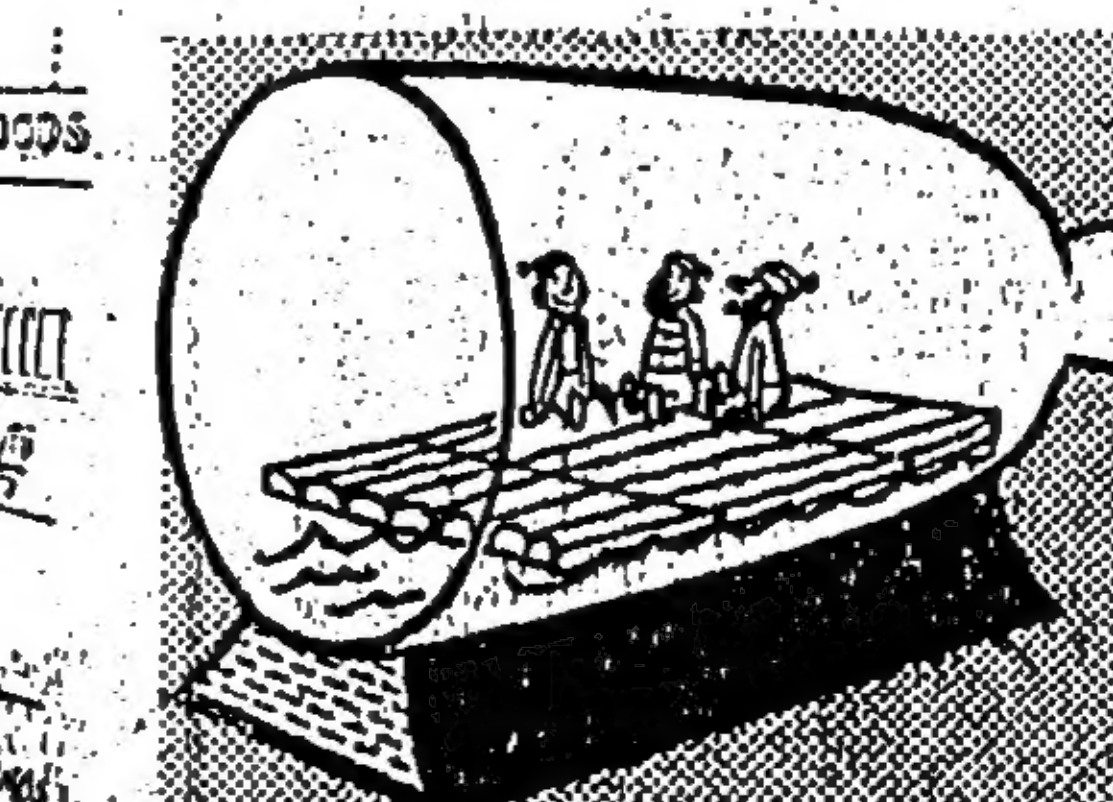
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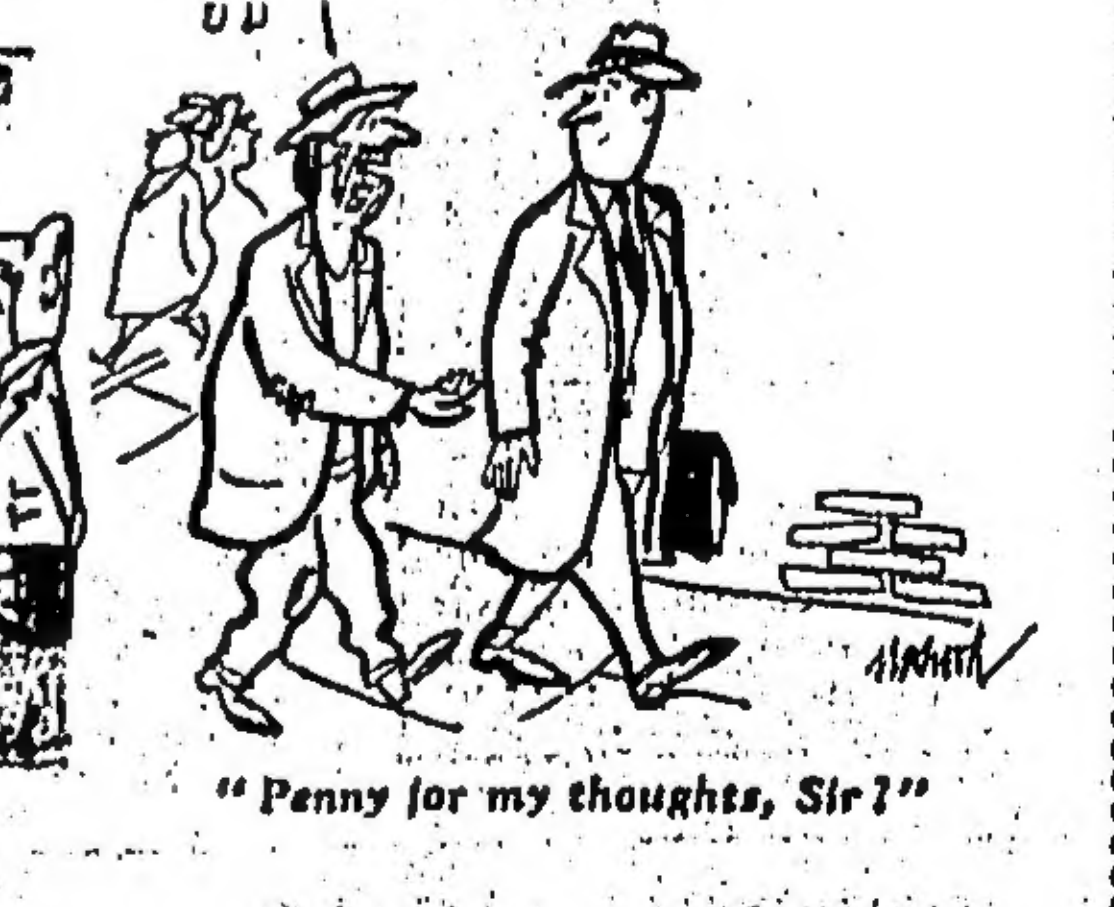
"Penny for my thoughts, Sir?"



"I see Mrs. Middleton got swum, then!"



"Your call-up papers arrived this morning!"



WEEK-END WOMANSENSE

Fifteen Items Of Easy Comfort

—Look round and see how many you have got in your home

By Anne Scott-James

London. WHERE in England do you find the worst food, the coldest rooms, the slowest service and the longest walk to the bathroom?

In the houses of the very rich.

One of the few happy thoughts that is really true is that comfort isn't a matter of money.

Comfort is an attitude. For sheer rigorous discomfort, lead me to a winter week-end in the country with a millionaire.

Read good living is to be found now in houses where the rooms are small and the servants blissfully few. Surprisingly, it reaches its peak among people who work in the theatre and the arts.

I have been talking to people with very high standards of comfort. Cosy people. People whose homes are essentially hospitable.

People who can make a glorious breakfast out of a tray supper by the fire.

Most of the comforts they suggest are modest enough in price. Look round your home, and count up how many easy comforts you are missing.

The two essentials

LESLEY BLANCH (whose newest book is a best-seller about food) says two things are essential to comfort. Without them, you are not at home.

She divides her life between America and Europe, and so can claim the cream of both.

"Most important is warmth," she says. "An open fire is delicious, but only if you have a radiator at the other end of the room. I can't stand mottled shins and frozen kidneys."

"Then, I demand a warm bed. This means cotton sheets and two hot water bottles. I once slept in satin sheets in Hollywood. I loved it at night. I always have a boiling ring in my bedroom for renewing hot bottles and making hot drinks."

"A warm bathroom is the very essence of comfort. This means a close-carpeted floor and a heater—small oil heater if you have no hot pipes."

"And a draught-free living room—the Victorians were so much cleverer at this than we are. I like screens, interlined curtains, long red boilers for the window sills."

"Then, I think no house is comfortable where you can't do things which will upset the servants. I want to eat when I like, make pots of tea when I like, stay in bed all day if I like. To be comfortable, one must do a lot for oneself—that's why hotel life is such a misery."

"One of the most comfortable houses I know is Greer Garson's. She and her husband have surmounted their money and do a lot for themselves."

"He even has a refrigerator in his bedroom with food for midnight snacks. They have sort of dormitory feasts."

Low lights

Decorator HERMAN SCHRIJVER says that a common and quite unnecessary cause of discomfort is bad lighting. "In most homes, the lights are much too high. Low lights are flattering and restful."

"I never put fixed lights in any living room," he says. "Always lamps which throw

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THE FASHION THAT WON'T LET GO

Of course the hood is a winter fashion. But women won't part with it—it does such wonderful things for your face. Look out for hooded dresses and beach clothes this summer. Top: A sweater and pants of Paisley jersey. Left: A raincoat with explorer hood. Right: A scarlet coat with black fur hood.

"Mother, are you or are you not supposed to know something about clothes?" "I suppose so. But what on earth are you leading up to?" "Then I would have thought you would have known that it's impossible... absolutely impossible... for me to go to the square dance in blue jeans. Only the most ghastly people wear them."

"But it says jeans on the invitation."

"Not blue jeans. All decent people gave them up years ago. All jeans now are black."

"You might think it was a female speaking. But it was my son."

I reflected, as I handed over the money, that men of all ages are abject slaves to fashion. No individuality at all.

HOW TO CURB BOSSY TRAITS IN YOUNG CHILDREN

By GARRY C. MYERS, Ph.D.

THE bossy child is bossiest at home, as a rule, so a lot can be done there to correct this fault. Certainly, any parent should aim to guide her child to be a gracious host and not a tyrant over his visiting playmates.

One mother writes about her ten-year-old son:

"We invite children to spend the night in the pup tents in our yard or to play there in the afternoon. I let them buy bottles of soft drinks."

"The visiting child has to drink two swallows and store the bottle away until my son decides that they should have another swallow (each has his own bottle). Then this swallow must not be too long or too big or my son gets mad about it, runs to his room and pouts."

"This is just one example of his bossing. He pouts if he cannot be the leader in games. He is small for a ten-year-old and doesn't get to be the leader often."

It's fine that you attract your boy's playmates to your premises. One wonders if they come because of the material things they can enjoy there which they don't often get elsewhere.

This programme affords you a good opportunity to study your son, curb his bossiness and guide him in more unselfish ways.

It's hard for me to understand why you would let this bad habit such as tyranny over any playmate right before your eyes. He probably tyrannizes over other members of his family in a similar fashion. He must have learned from long experience that he can force others to his ways, however absurd, by running off and pouting. He didn't form this habit in a single day.

Christie this boy as soon as you see him ordering his playmates around. If he runs off and pouts, say nothing, show no feelings, have none. Step in and be a good hostess to the playmates, guiding them in wholesome fun.

Let me entreat mothers of younger children to watch for overaggressive, bossy traits in any of them. Not only curb their bossiness, but spend a lot of time and skill through positive suggestions to cultivate more unselfish ways in them when playmates come to the home. For example, prompt your child to say to a playmate, "What shall we play next?" Instead of "We'll do this next."

DO WOMEN LIKE BEARDS?

By AMANDA MARSHALL

BEARDS are coming back, boosted by the betting on whether one particular beard will come back on the handsome positive jaw of Prince Philip.

For myself, and for every right-thinking woman, beards are surely a good thing if the faces that lurk behind them are strong and impressive.

Kissing a man without a beard is like eating an egg without salt—or so the beard-conscious and experienced Edwardians believed. No beard worthy of the name should be a screen for a poor chin or a timid and deflated ego.

Beards have had a chequered history, from the days when no sensible caveman blunted his precious flints on whiskers, through the Elizabethan, gentleman-pirate variety, the Victorian paterfamilias, the Edwardian sort that must have given off a perpetual aroma of cigar, down to the recent and decline, when to wear a beard meant that you were a founder member of some strange religious sect, a Frenchman with designs on other men's wives, a retired admiral, or the owner of one pair of mandals and an attic full of rejected canvases.

Peter Ustinov, comparatively recently bearded (he grew one for an Italian film and kept it for Romanoff and Juliet) says that he once asked bearded painter James Proudfoot whether he thought bearded sportsmen were considered eccentric. Proudfoot replied calmly: "If anyone ever suggests that to me I say 'I'm not eccentric; you shave.'"

TWO REASONS

What makes a man take the great decision to grow a beard? Flanders says: "It's either pure conceit or laziness—in my case a bit of both. I suppose women are always looking at you and saying: 'I'm mad about beards'—but perhaps that's just a joke."

Flanders says that beards are now growing everywhere—"butchers have them, and there's a bearded policeman, and BBC men (not just Third Programme producers, either), and the other day I had a letter from a bus conductor who had seen the beard of route 18."

I have always been a devoted beard fancier, admiring particularly Sir Compton Mackenzie's (suave and silver), Sir Thomas Beecham's (brisk and impetuous), James Robertson Just's (piratical, witty and arrogant), and Michael Ayrton's (silly, eloquent and wicked).

I wouldn't dream of suggesting that Sydney Silverman, Philip Harben, Moran Caplan (Glyndebourne's general manager) and novelist William Somerset Maugham would be lesser men without their beards, but all the same I love them just the way they are.

Beards are not for everyone. Not, I think for Mr. Bevan, or Mr. Wolf Mankowitz, or any of those promising Angry Young Men. But think of Mr. Rex Harrison, Mr. Osbert Lancaster, Sir Mortimer Wheeler, Sir Robert Boothby—just imagine those beards.

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It's tragic...

FOR five minutes I was fooled by the relaxing country house setting of chintz armchairs, silver teapot and hot buttered scones, and by the peaceful view of ploughed fields beyond the bay window.

Then I understood, from the piercing eyes and eager conversation, why my hostess has been called "a connoisseur of up-roar."

I had gone to see Rebecca West, politician at 20, world-famous writer at 30, intellectual and iconoclast, traveller and raconteur, the stereoscopic reporter of some of the world's most horrible trials. I went because she just published *The Fountain Overflows*—her first novel for 20 years.

Miss West seemed quite uninterested in this major event in publishing.

Her mind has already ranged ahead to the next book and the next, one a sequel to the novel, one a book of criticism.

Her talk raced over every subject under the sun except her own work.

Of today's problems: "One of the most serious of all modern problems is that of refugees. The really tragic thing is that to be a refugee must always be deteriorating. An exile is almost bound to become difficult and neurotic. That is a harder problem than the jobs and the homes."

About men: "What annoys men are, don't you think? So much

more so than women. All these intellectuals who ought to be writing and painting busy marrying ladies of title and getting round in society."

About feminism: "I don't think it makes much difference to married women whether or not they are equal and have the vote. But it has revolutionised the lives of women who don't marry. To be a spinster was a dreadful life before."



REBECCA WEST

... connoisseur of uproar.

About travel: "I want to go everywhere. But I think my favourite part of the world is the countryside of America. You must go to Pennsylvania and then you'll love America."

About the famous editress of an American society magazine: "I shall never write for her again. Last time she was over a friend and I had dinner with her and one of her staff in her suite. Can you believe it, two separate dinners were served. A delicious dinner for them, and a consomme and cold meat for us. I shall never get over it."

An intellectual with the good looks and charm of a woman of the world, a humanist with an engaging dash of malice in her nature, Rebecca West has more all-round gifts than any other woman I have met.

Slaves of fashion

"MOTHER, do you honestly want me to appear in public looking a perfect freak?"

"Well, it wouldn't be the first time."

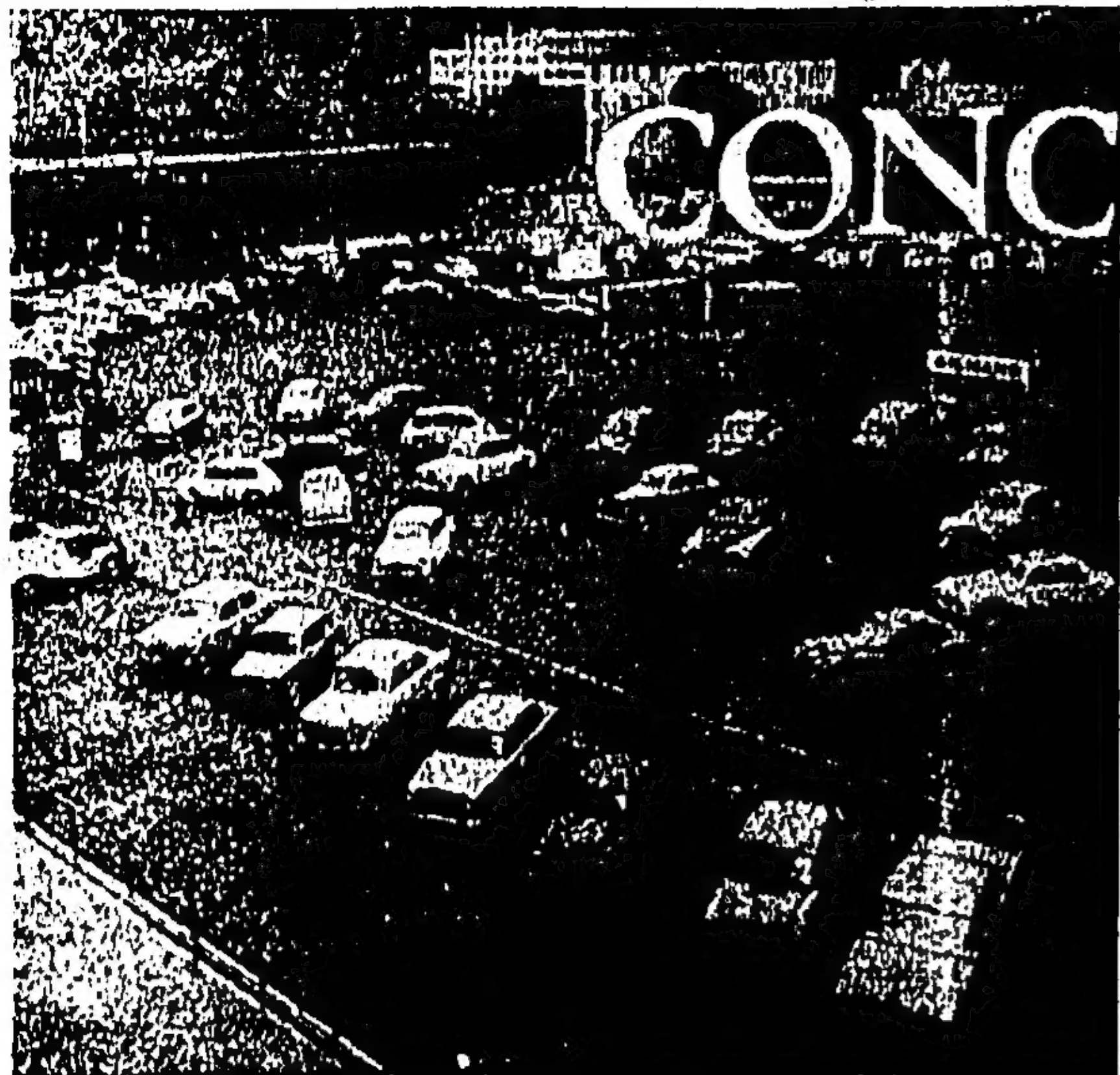
"Mother, can you honestly say that the expenditure of 22s. 6d. would send the family bankrupt?"

"No."

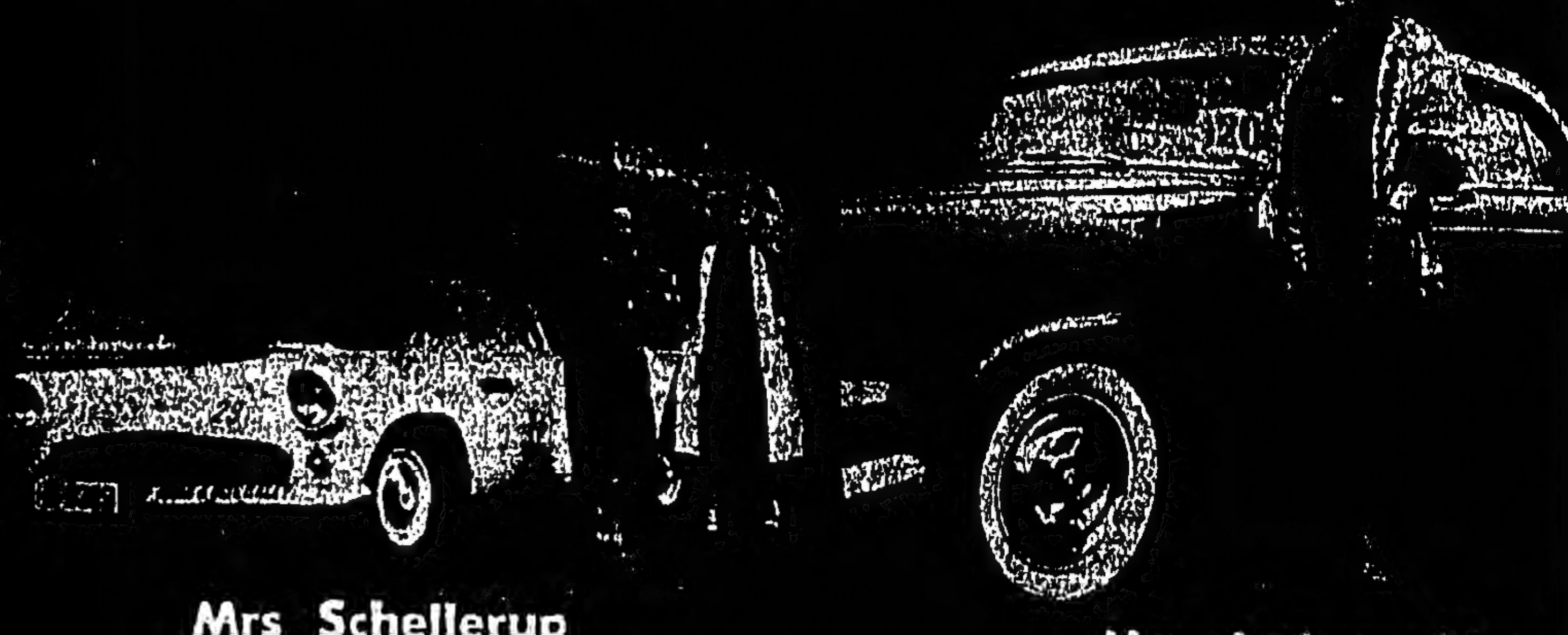
"Mother, do you want me to cancel the party I have looked forward to for six weeks?"

"Of course not."

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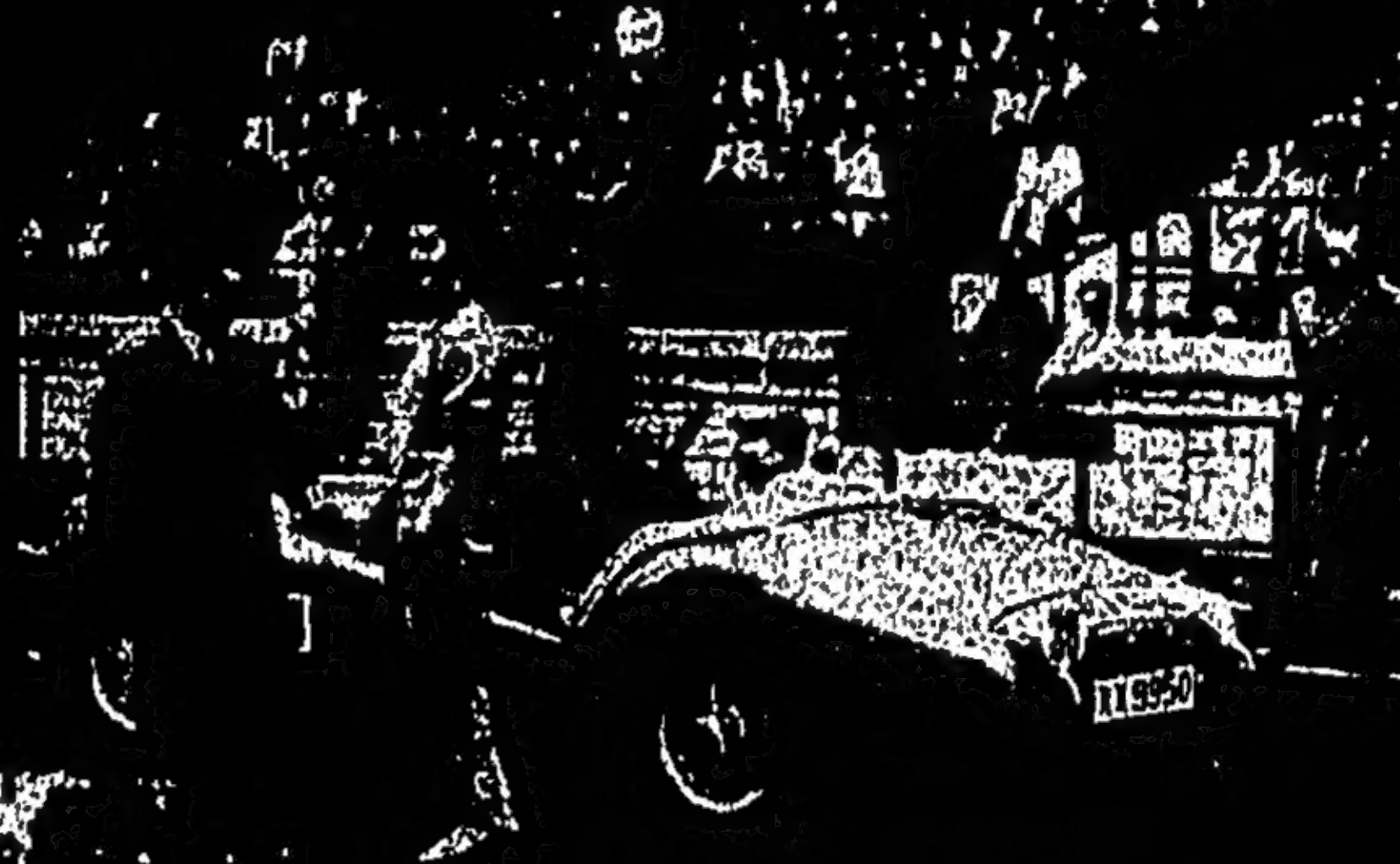
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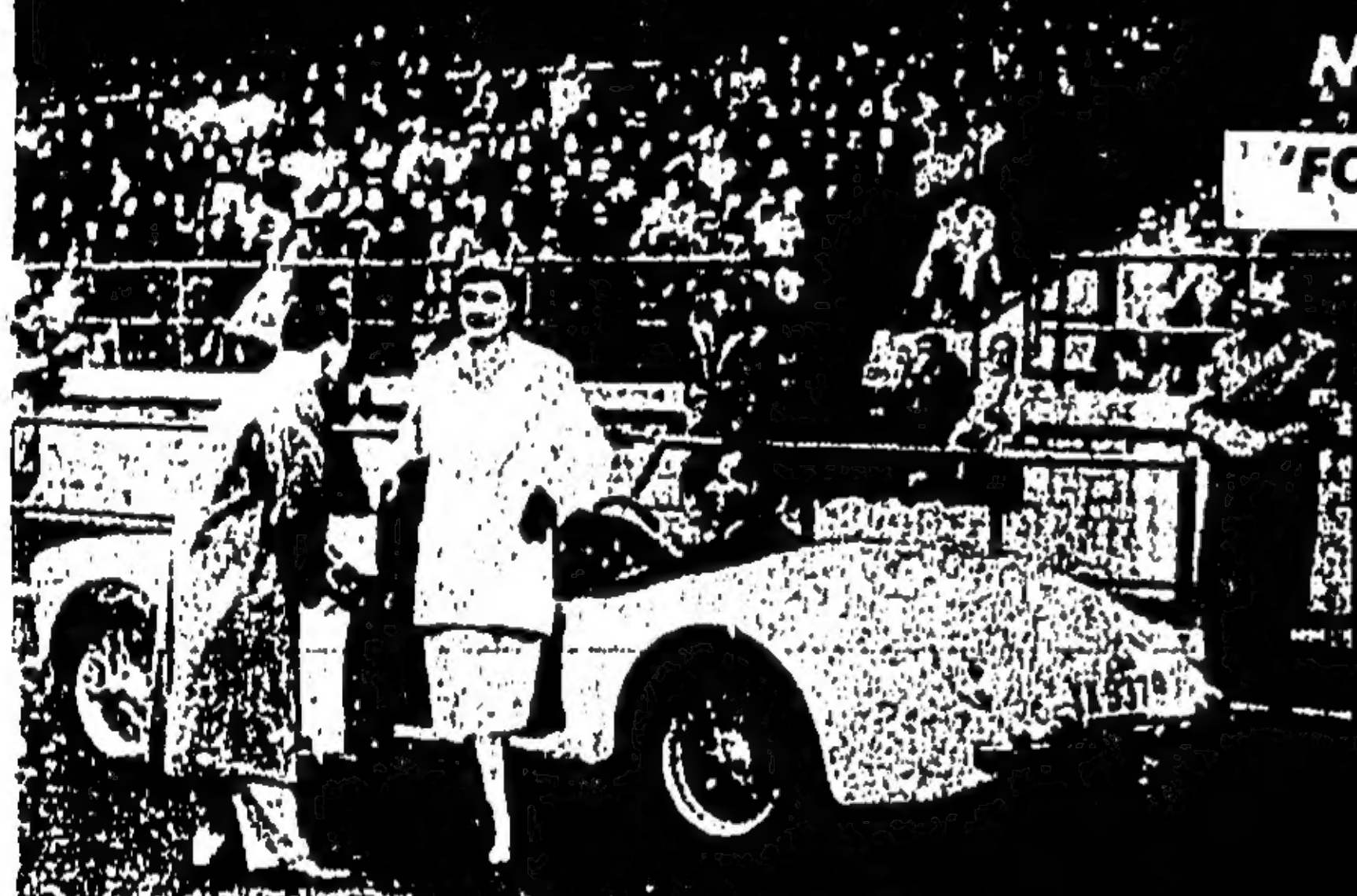


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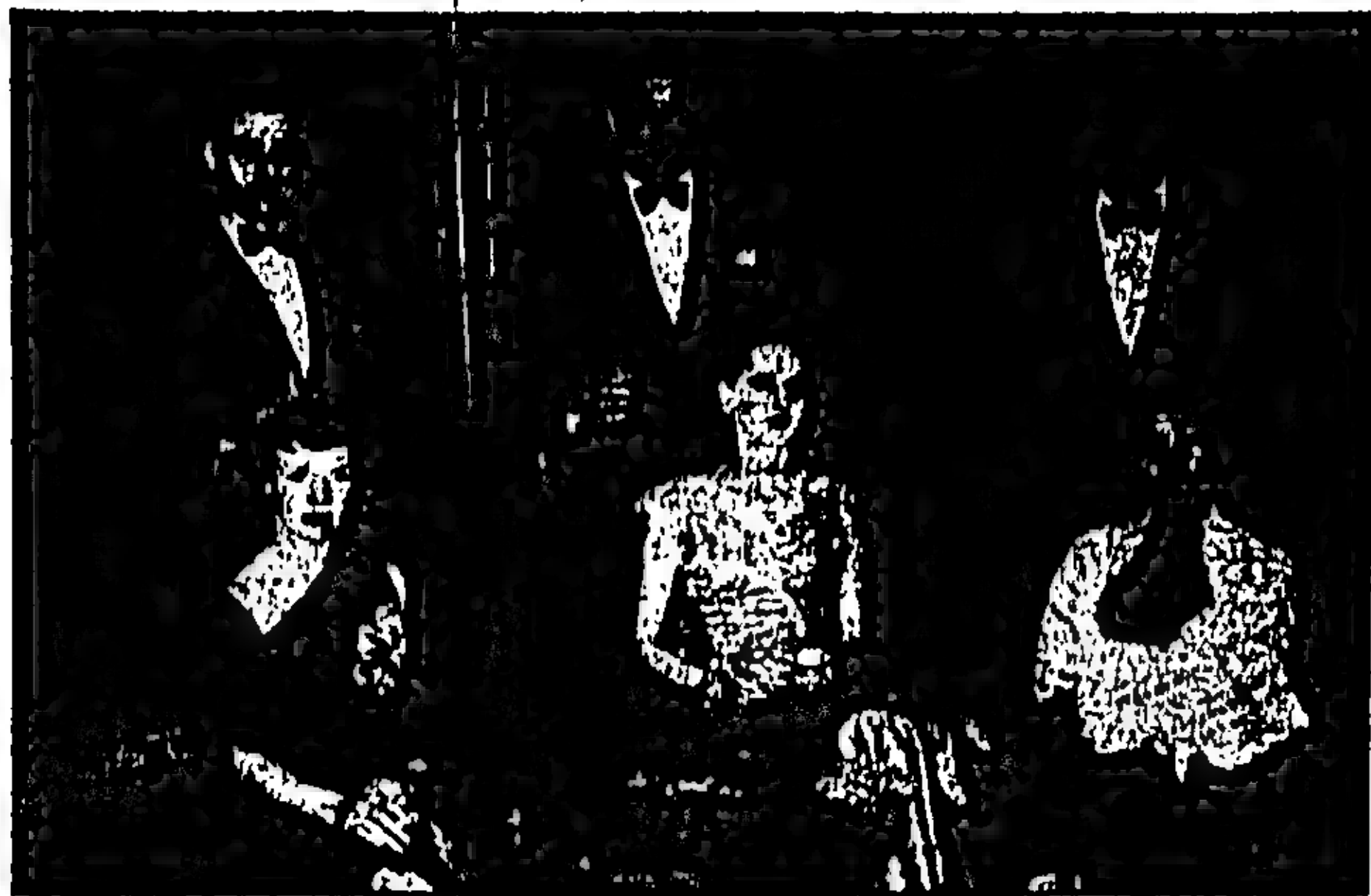
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TWO DANCES... the HKFC Dance (couples from left—the D. Brooks, J. O'Connors, and A. J. Devoreux), and the "Seafarers' Dance" at the Missions to Seamen. (Staff photographer)

RIGHT: Flowers for Mrs St G. J. S. Moore after presenting prizes at an Ordnance Company athletic meeting. (Staff Photographer)

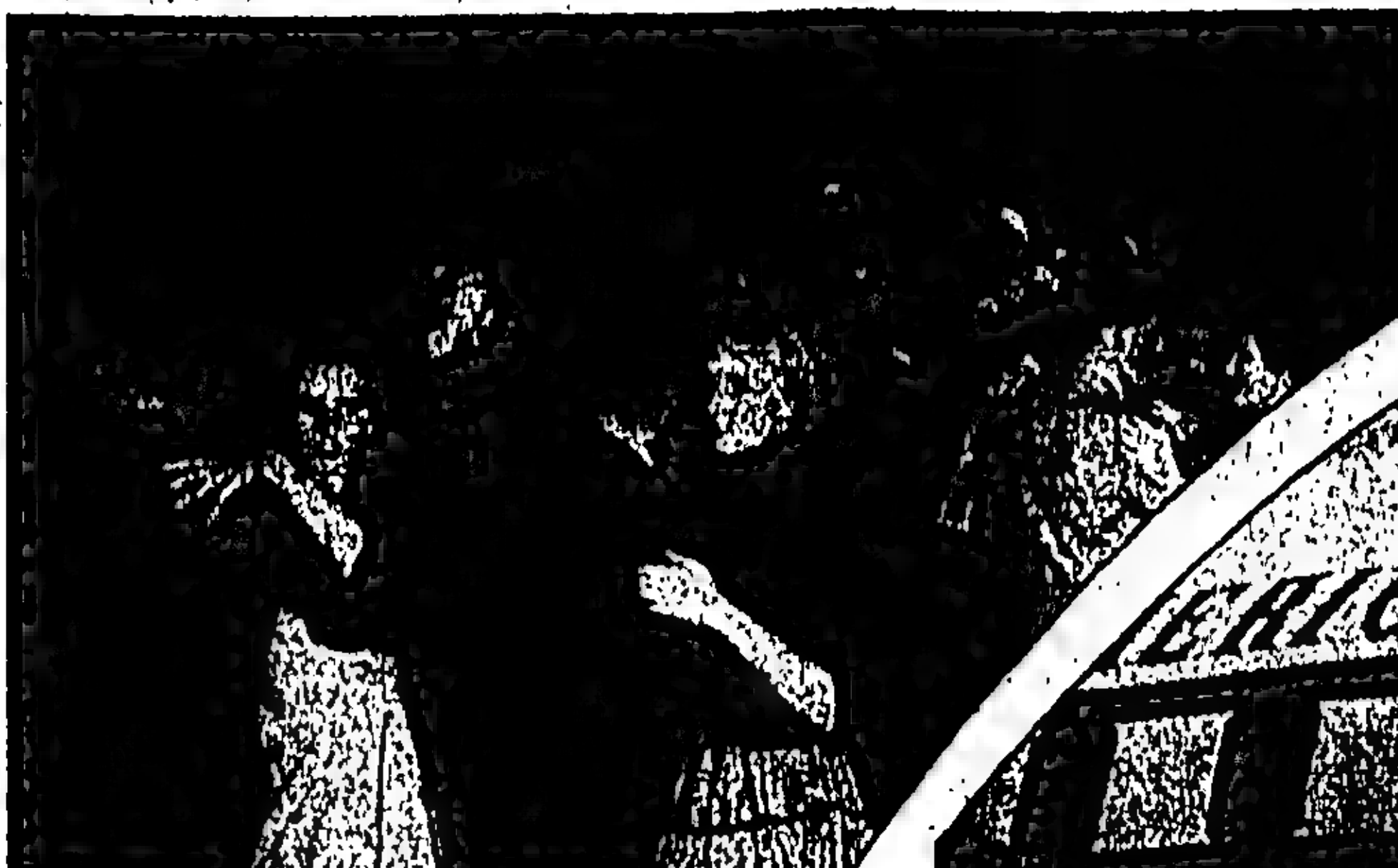


GOVERNOR and Lady Grantham, Mr and Mrs D. L. Prophet, Mr D. Benson, and Mr Eric Kwok at the gala premiere—"The lady and the Tramp." (Staff Photographer)

VERTICAL SPLITS... Miss Chan Po-chu doing an Operatic dance for the Eastern Women's Welfare Club Chinese New Year party. (Staff Photographer)



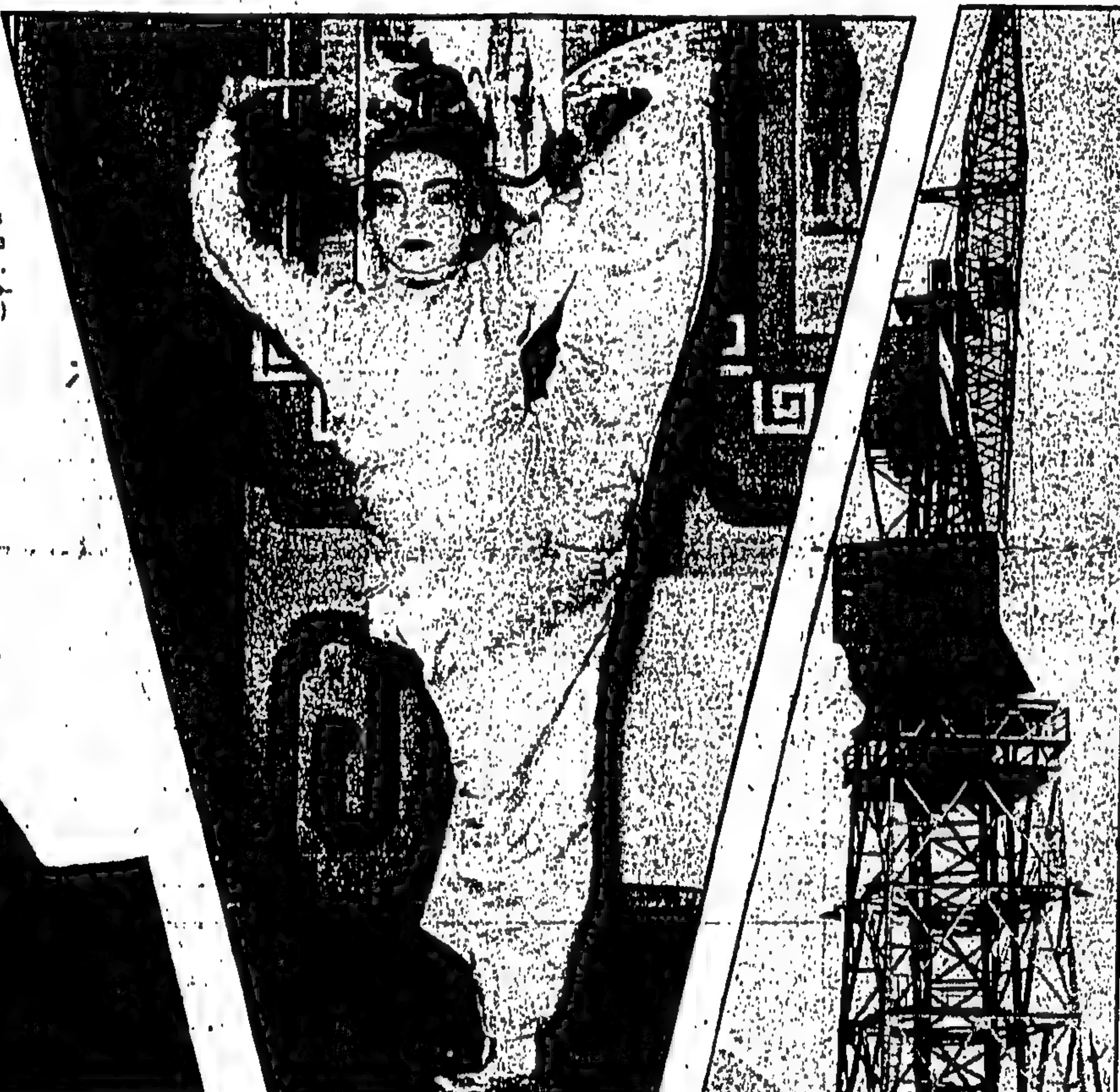
ROTARIAN ROCK—to know what they are doing one would have to ask Mr Henry Chang or Mr Law Tai-yue. However, the occasion was a Ladies' Night given by the Hongkong West Club. (Staff Photographer)



ROUND the World Girl Guides are on their way back to Britain from Kai Tak. (Staff Photographer)



TCHUGI St John Ambulance at work in Sha-taukok. (Staff Photographer)



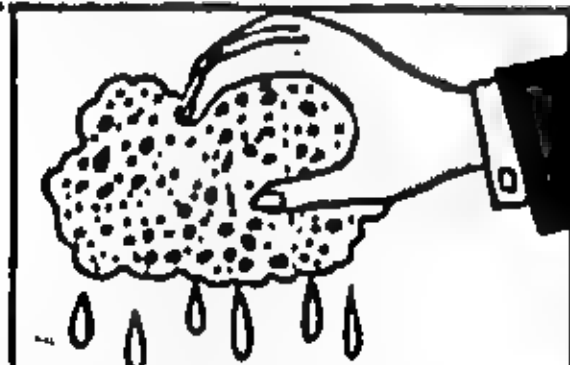
BELOW & RIGHT: Sir Alexander saw engines in a variety of shapes and sizes when he was taken over the Talkoo Dockyard recently by the Manager and Assistant Manager Mr F. Pattinson and Mr R. Main. (Staff Photographer)



NEW Accountant-General Mr E. J. Thompson (right) meeting members of the ACCA at an accountants cocktail party. (Staff Photographer)



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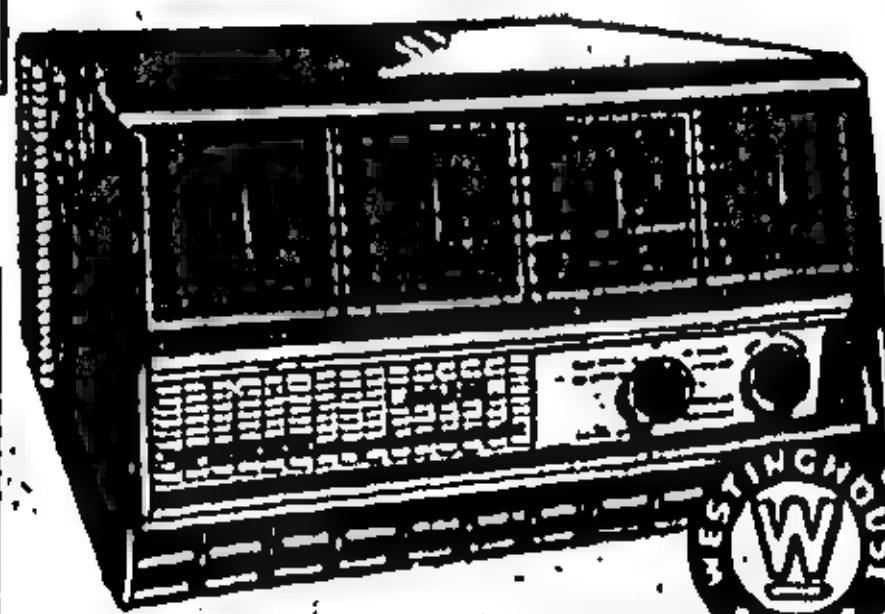


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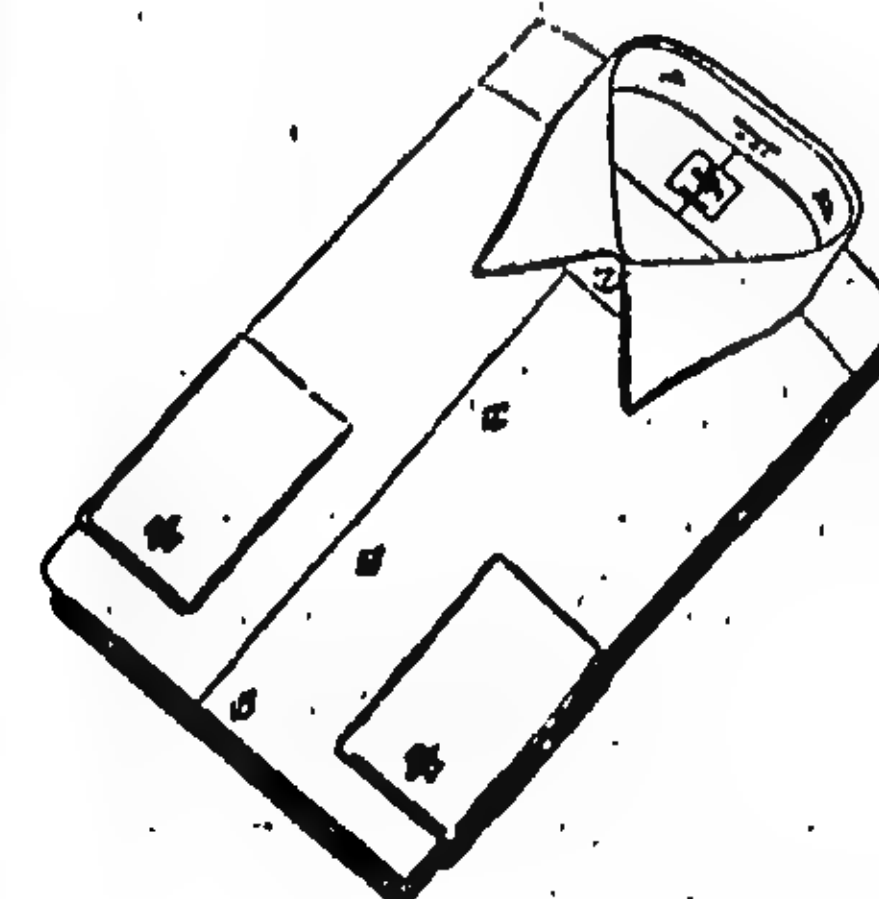
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TENSION: 7½ sts to an inch over stocking-stitch on No. 10 needles.

ABBREVIATIONS: K, knit; p, purl; sts, stitches; rep, repeat; inc, increase; dec, decrease; beg, beginning; w, wend; wend forward, k2 tog, knit 2 together.

BACK

With No. 12 needles cast on 112 sts, and work 4 ins k1, p1 rib. Change to No. 10 needles and pattern as follows:

1st row: right side facing, * k4, k8, p4, k5, (w, wend forward k2 tog) 3 times, w, k2, rep, from * to last 10 sts, p4, k8, p4.

2nd row: * k4, p8, k4, p17, rep, from * to last 10 sts, k4, p8, k4.

3rd row: * p4, k8, p4, k5, (w, wend, k2 tog) 4 times, k4, rep, from * to last 10 sts, p4, k8, p4.

4th row: As 2nd

5th row: * p4, k8, p4, k5, (k2 tog, w, wend) 3 times, k2 tog, k4, rep, from * to last 10 sts, p4, k8, p4.

6th row: * k4, p8, k4, p17, rep, from * to last 10 sts, k4, p8, k4.

7th row: * p4, k8, p4, k5, (k2 tog, w, wend) twice, k2 tog, k4, rep, from * to last 10 sts, p4, k8, p4.

8th row: * k4, p8, k4, p17, rep, from * to last 10 sts, k4, p8, k4.

9th row: * p4, k8, p4, k5, k2 tog, w, wend, k3 tog, k4, rep, from * to last 10 sts, p4, k8, p4.

10th row: * k4, p8, k4, p17, rep, from * to last 10 sts, k4, p8, k4.

11th row: * p4, k8, p4, k5, k3 tog, k4, rep, from * to last 10 sts, p4, k8, p4.

12th row: * k4, p8, k4, p17, rep, from * to last 10 sts, k4, p8, k4.

13th row: * p4, k8, p4, k10, rep, from * to last 10 sts, p4, k8, p4.

14th row: * k4, p8, k4, p10, rep, from * to last 10 sts, k4, p8, k4.

15th row: * p4, k8, p4, rep next 5 sts, on cable needle, k1, lower at front of work, k3, then k5 from cable needle, rep, from * to last 10 sts, p4, k8, p4.

16th row: As 12th.

17th row: * p4, k8, p4, k5, w, wend, k2 rep, from * to last 10 sts, p4, k8, p4.

18th row: * k4, p8, k4, p11, rep, from * to last 10 sts, k4, p8, k4.

19th row: * p4, k8, p4, k5, w, wend, k1, w, wend, k5, rep, from * to last 10 sts, p4, k8, p4.

20th row: * k4, p8, k4, p10, rep, from * to last 10 sts, k4, p8, k4.

21st row: * p4, k8, p4, k5, w, wend, k1, k1, 3 times, k8, rep, from * to last 10 sts, p4, k8, p4.

22nd row: * k4, p8, k4, p10, rep, from * to last 10 sts, k4, p8, k4.

These 22 rows form pattern. Continue in pattern, shaping sides by increasing 1 st. at each end of next and every following 6th row until there are 128 sts, taking increased sts. into reversed stocking-stitch as they made.

Work straight until 4 complete patterns and 10 rows of rib pattern have been done and average measures about 14 ins. With right side facing shape armholes by casting off 6 sts. at beg. of next 2 rows, then k2 tog. at each end of every row until 98 sts. remain. Work straight until 5 h pattern is done.

Change to stocking-stitch over an sts starting with a k. row and work 1 inch straight. Here divide for back opening. Next row: right side facing, k49, turn, and leave remaining sts. on a spare needle. Work straight on first 49 sts. until armhole measures 7 in. then with right side facing, shape shoulder by casting off 10 sts. at beg. of next and following 2 alternate rows, armhole edge. Leave remaining 19 sts. on a spare needle.

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With right side facing, rejoin back, and work to correspond.

FRONT

Work exactly as for back to end of 5th pattern (98 sts.). Change to stocking-stitch and work straight over all sts. until armhole measures 5½ ins. Here shape neck. Next row: right side facing, k37, turn and leave remaining sts. on a spare needle. Continue on these 37 sts., decreasing 1 st. at neck edge on every row until 30 sts. remain. Work a few rows straight until front matches back, then with right side facing, shape shoulder by casting off 10 sts. at beg. of next and following 2 alternate rows, armhole edge.

Return to remaining 61 sts., slip centre 24 sts. on a spare needle. Rejoin wool to last 37 sts. neck edge, and work to correspond with first shoulder.

With No. 12 needles, cast on 40 sts. and work 3½ ins. k1, p1 rib. Change to No. 10 needles and work 10 sts. all round neck, including those on spare needles, as given, and shaping sides by increasing 1 st. at each end of 7th and every following 6th row until there are 88 sts., taking increased sts. into reversed

stocking-stitch as they are made.

Work straight until 6 complete patterns and 10 rows of 7th have been done. With right side facing, shape top by casting off 4 sts. at beg. of next 2 rows, then k2 tog. at each end of next and every alternate row until 28 sts. remain. Cast off.

Press pieces lightly under a damp cloth. Join right shoulder seam. With right side facing and No. 12 needles pick up and k. 80 sts. all round neck, including those on spare needles, as back and front. Work 13 inches k1, p1 rib. Cast off loosely in rib. Join left shoulder, side and sleeve seams; insert sleeves, sew zip fastener up back opening. Press seams.

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THE BENEFITS OF PAIN

By W. W. BAUER, M.D.

YES, pain is one of the greatest blessings of mankind.

If that sounds a little crazy to you, let's look into the facts. Nobody likes pain. Pain or continuous discomfort usually prompts the individual to try to get rid of the unpleasant sensation. Often it is pain and pain only which leads to constructive solutions of serious health problems.

Pain takes various forms and the descriptive words applied to it are almost unnumbered. Some persons describe their pain as aching. Others refer to stabbing, knife-like, boring or even lightning pains. Dull heavy, or pressing pains come to the attention of the physician for relief.

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Numbness, itching, tingling, "crawling sensations" and similar abnormal and undesired experiences are closely allied to pain.

The pain of a burn causes a finger or hand to be snatched away faster than the speed of

thought. The pain of a sprain or a fracture puts a limb out of use and hurries the patient to the doctor. A throbbing head often repeated or a headache which becomes intolerable also sends the patient seeking relief.

On the other hand, disease may progress far before anything is done about it if there is no pain. Notable among the insidious diseases in which pain is not an early symptom is diabetes. In its later stages, it does produce pain in tissues deprived of proper nutrition but it may progress far before giving indications other than weakness. Early cancer is not painful. Indeed, this disease does not begin to hurt until it has progressed to the point where its invasion of other tissues renders successful treatment practically impossible. Dehydration of arteries can proceed far without pain. So can injury to heart muscle.

Malnutrition is almost always painless until it is far advanced and there are serious deficiencies of vitamins, minerals, and other nutrient substances.

Pain has been described as a signal—a warning. The suppression of pain by self-administered drugs is deplored by physicians because it lulls the patient into a sense of false security and defers his consultation with the doctor. When he finally gets to the doctor, he has so disguised his symptoms, that diagnosis is rendered much more difficult.

Among the most common pains which are disregarded or unwisely treated are headaches, backaches, and stomach aches. Most aches in the head are not serious. They will usually go away with rest in a darkened room and a dose or two of aspirin. For the occasional mild headache and for the one obviously due to unwise eating, drinking, and making merry, this treatment is sufficient. Once in a while, not often but just often enough to emphasize its importance, there is a headache due to real organic diseases such as high blood pressure, hardened arteries, and very rarely brain tumour.

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In the same way, one may have abdominal discomfort from eating unwise or too well. Usually it is sufficient to give the digestive organs a rest. Once in a while, however, there occurs an appendicitis, an ulcer, an inflamed gallbladder or an intestinal obstruction. The back may ache from fatigue, poor posture and many other causes. Heat and external heat can seldom do harm, but allowing the back to be poked, pounded, and twisted by contortionists who know nothing of medicine and care less, is an invitation to disaster.

Headaches, backaches, and stomach aches all require intelligent and prompt medical treatment.

TEA CLOTH WITH WHEEL OF FORTUNE DESIGN

MATERIALS: Costa Chain Mercer-Crochet No. 20 (20 gm.), 16 balls selected colour. Allward, Steel Crochet Hook No. 3. (Sliver workers could use a No. 3½ hook and tight work, a No. 2½).

TENSION: Size of Motif=2½ in. (6.3 cm.).

MEASUREMENTS: Tea Cloth 37½ in. x 37½ in. (95.2 cm. x 95.2 cm.) approx.

ABBREVIATIONS: ch—chain; dc—double crochet; tr—treble; trp—triple treble; ss—slip stitch.

FIRST MOTIF

Commence with 8 ch, join with a ss to form a ring.

1st Row: 3 ch, 15 tr into ring, 1 ss into 3rd of 3 ch.

2nd Row: 8 ch (this stands for 1 trip tr and 3 ch), * 1 trip tr into next tr, 3 ch; repeat from * ending with 1 ss into 5th of 8 ch.

3rd Row: 4 dc into each 3 ch sp (6 dc), 1 ss into first dc.

4th Row: 5 ch, 1 trip tr into each of next 4 dc leaving the last loop of each trip tr on hook, thread over and pull through all loops on hook (1 cluster made), * 10 ch, 1 trip tr into same place as last trip tr leaving the last loop of trip tr on hook, 1 trip tr into each of next 4 dc leaving the last loop of each trip tr on hook, thread over and pull through all loops on hook, * 5 ch, 1 ss into any 10 ch loop of all loops on hook (another cluster made); repeat from * ending with last trip tr into same place as ss of previous row, 10 ch, 1 ss into top of cluster. Fasten off.

5th Row: 5 ch, 1 trip tr into each of next 4 dc leaving the last loop of each trip tr on hook, thread over and pull through all loops on hook, * 5 ch, 1 ss into any 10 ch loop of all loops on hook (another cluster made); repeat from * ending with last trip tr into same place as ss of previous row, 10 ch, 1 ss into top of cluster. Fasten off.

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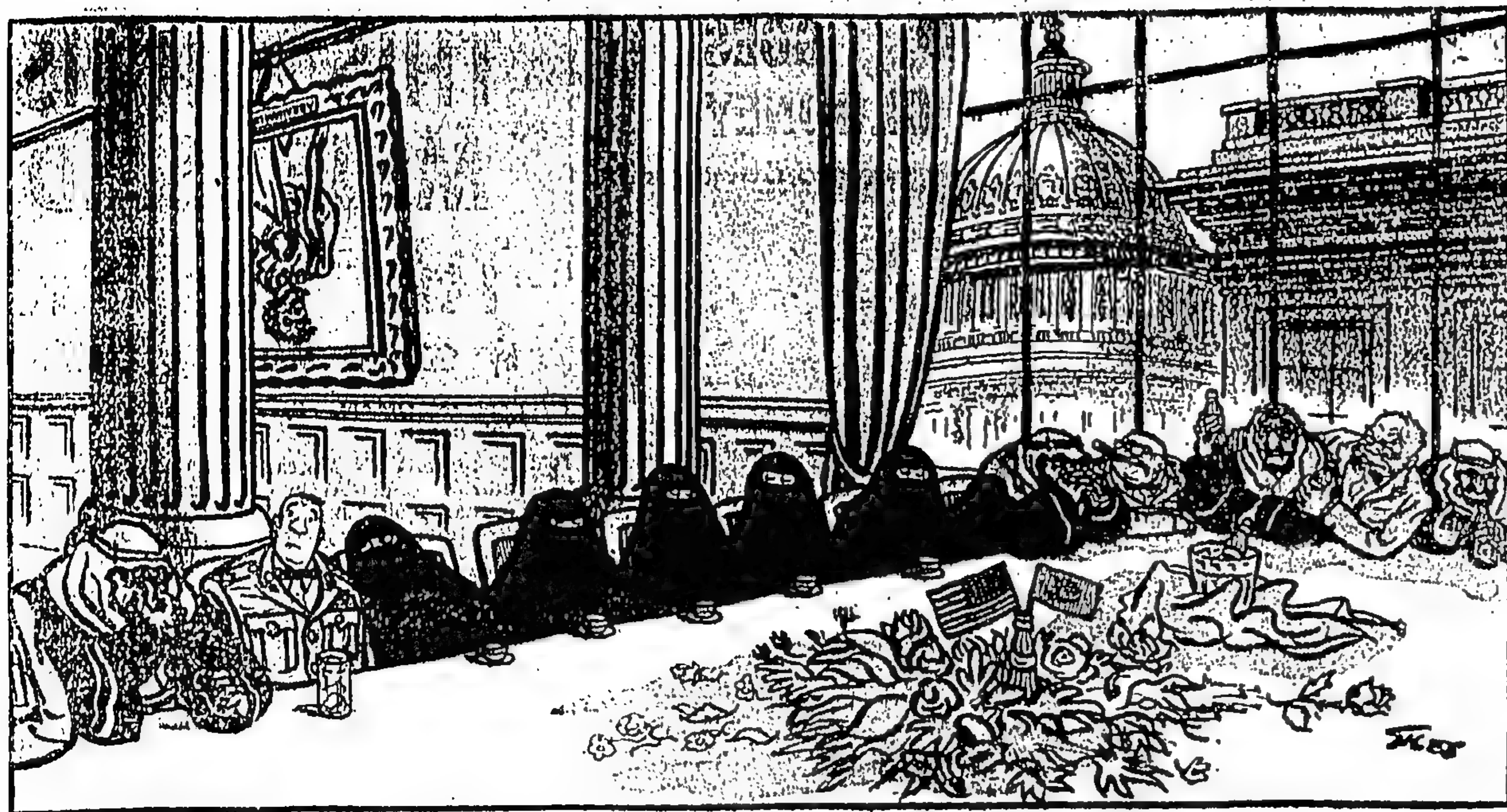
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"Kindly remove thy hand from knee, O Major. We ain't dolls, we're F.B.I."

A visit to the Boltons

by ROBERT ROBINSON

MAKE my way to the Boltons, a grove of cool white houses in Kensington, London. Neither hawk nor circular is welcome here.

Feeling just a bit "hawkish" myself, I knock at No. 28 and am admitted by the secretary of Mr. Douglas Fairbanks. But the master of the house does not keep me waiting, and soon I am with him in his study.

Two rumours he scotches instantly. "I am not leaving Britain—I shall stay here just as long as you'll have me." "I am not pulling out of the T.V. side of entertainment, I am simply going to add picture-making for the cinema to my present activities."

He grinned. It was an attractive grin, a grin to inspire confidence.

A grin which has helped to sell canned beer, a commodity for which Mr. Fairbanks does a T.V. commercial in the States.

A SOFT SELL

"No, I don't find it particularly agreeable, doing the commercial. But it's not an ordinary commercial—it's very indirect."

"I discuss stamp-collecting, hobbies, and only refer to the beer in the last fifteen seconds. A soft-sell, if you like."

"When they call me a socialist I often wonder what the word really means. I entertain about three times a year, I dine out about once a fortnight. Does that make me a socialist?"

I scored him a point there. But he really did look like the unofficial ambassador of the Fairbanks legend—quiet grey suit, sober tie, quiet voice.

I said: "When they had the American ambassadorship vacant it was being said that you might be going to fill the post?"

BACK ROOM BOY

He said: "I have always preferred to do my political work in a freelance capacity."

"What little I've been able to do in the back room way I've been able to do simply because everyone—Roosevelt, Truman, even like—has known that I have no political axe to grind. I haven't been after jobs."

"It suits me that way, it suits Washington too. Besides, to be an ambassador, you have to be a rich man."

I blinked. "Aren't you?" I asked. "Not that rich," he said. (NOTE: I've been told that the American ambassador here just spent \$25,000 a year on top of his allowances, and may also contribute around \$50,000 to party funds.)

"That rich man legend—I wish it were true," he mused. "I've worked since I was thirteen years old, and I'm a lazy man and I'd like to stop. Only I can't."

"Ideally, I'd like to be an executive of a travel firm, and spend my time inspecting the offices in the far corners of the world."

"But," he looked around him, "I have responsibilities."

Sherrington and Chippendale, Gelling Gibbons and Robert Adam—all had helped to furnish that room. Hard work, too.

Intelligence Report

THE U.S. AND TWO EXPENSIVE FRIENDS

Conducted by SEFTON DELMER

Contributing Writers....Stephen Constant, Tom Stacey



KING SAUD is likely to run into Sultan Mohammed of Morocco when he passes through Madrid on his way home from America.

In the State Department's view, this will be a meeting of two pivots of the anti-Communist Arab bloc which the U.S. is trying to create in order to isolate Nasser and his Syrian allies. It is an expensive policy.

The Sultan is asking them for \$50 million dollars for the right to use the air force bases they leased in Morocco from the French. Saud wants 250 million dollars' worth of jets, tanks, and rockets, and another 50 million dollars in rent for the American air base at Dahran.

UNITS of the East German Army, police, and workers' militia have been holding manoeuvres around Halberstadt. The enemy was represented not by an aggressor from the West but by rebellious German freedom fighters on the Hungarian model.

NASSER'S BRASS-HAT ENVOYS NASSER's policy of sending Egyptian career ambassadors and sending soldier pals of his in their place has come up against trouble in Baghdad.

Young King Faisal is refusing to accept an army man in place

of Ambassador Tewfik Mohamed Khatib, called home by Nasser three weeks ago.

A wise young king he is. Nasser is appointing colonels and generals as ambassadors so they can carry on intrigues among the Arab armies without being expelled—as his military attaches have been.

It is always a bit tricky to throw out an ambassador. But five countries have booted out Egyptian military attaches in the last 12 months: Iraq, Jordan, Libya, Lebanon, and Ethiopia.

Nasser has already sent soldier ambassadors to Lebanon, Jordan, Syria, and the Sudan.

TIP-OFF for last week's arrest of three alleged Soviet spies by the American F.B.I. came from Canada. Security Branch of the Canadian Mounties put the F.B.I. on the trail.

HUNGARIAN CAUTIONARY TALE LET all Hungarian refugees who have a yearning for home take warning from the fate of a young man called Szilvasi.

Szilvasi and his companion arrived in Britain as refugees in mid-November and were housed in a London hotel. After a while they became restless. A fortnight ago they approached the Hungarian Legation, who promptly arranged their passages back to Hungary.

On arrival in Budapest, Szilvasi and his friend were taken to the State prison and hanged.

HOLY WAR RUMBLES MOSLEM tribal warriors from as far away as the North-West Frontier of the old British

India are gathering for a Holy War to liberate their brethren in Nehru-ruled Kashmir.

They believe this is the only way to get the United Nations to replace Indian and Pakistan troops with a UNO force and then hold a plebiscite in Kashmir.

Now, the British Shipbuilding Research Association is trying to find the answer to this problem by using models in the 447ft. long testing tank built by Vickers Armstrongs at St Albans, Herts.

Above the tank, which is over 20ft. wide, is a carriage which moves with the floating models and records what happens to them.

The tank has its own "crew" of 37 naval architects and draughtsmen, are men; the others, including tracers and computers, are girls.

Models used in the tank are normally made of paraffin wax or wood, and can weigh as much as a ton.—London Express Service.

R.N. GALE BOFFINS HUNTING SEA GHOST

A MYSTERIOUS motion of the sea which can cause serious damage to ships is being investigated by means of models. It is known that when ships are pitching very high pressures can be generated between their hulls and the water. Damage is frequently caused to the ship's bottom shell plating. What causes the high pressure is not known.

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'Crew' of 37

The tank has its own "docks" for storing models. All kinds of heavy weather conditions can be created by a "wavemaker." Mock beaches at either end of the tank break up the waves.

Communism Rejoiced By Its Children

By GORDON SHEPHERD

PRaise for the heroism of Hungary's patriots began to be outstripped by their deeds even in the first hours of the fighting. Now, in their final agony, it is almost a mockery.

In the dozen of talks I have had with Hungarian rebels of all ages and backgrounds one thing stands out in my mind, even above their bravery and their patriotism. It is the uncanly feeling all of them had that they were fighting not for Hungary but for the Christian world.

AN ACT OF FAITH

More than that. There was a fatalistic premonition that their immediate cause was doomed, and that their struggle was not for this generation but for the next. Their last fight was a greeting to the West as well as an act of faith in themselves. If ever there was a case of "we who are about to die salute you," this was it.

This was the first uprising against Communism which was

purely political. The riots of China, East Berlin, and Pusan were all touched off by economic grievances. Yet in Hungary the standard of living had been steadily rising in the 12 months before the revolt, as I could personally observe in four visits made between December, 1955, and the start of fighting last year.

Why should it have been the Magyars and Poles who led the rest of East Europe in open revolt? The short answer is that active defiance can be expected only from peoples who have both tradition and determination, or to put it more simply, history and guts.

Among the satellites, peoples like the Rumanians have the first but, with many notable individual exceptions, not the second. "Non-historic" races like the Slovaks have the second but not the first. Only the Poles and the Hungarians combine both to the right degree—with a strong hatred of Russia for good measure.

The rising in Hungary was probably the nearest thing to a spontaneous, nation-wide movement which the world has witnessed. The events of 1956 moved slowly and sporadically by comparison, largely because of divided loyalties and poor communications. But in Hungary virtually ten million people stood up at once.

It is really inadequate to call them rebels. It was the age-old demand for "Haza," or the mystical Hungarian homeland, which came from their throats.

The rebels' chief civilian spokesman, Josef Dudas, told me in Budapest that Nagy had already agreed in principle to his demand that all but two members of the Government should be replaced by nominees of the patriot forces and the revived parties.

The exceptions were the Smallholders' leader, Bela Kovacs, and Nagy himself, whom even Dudas accepted as the best guarantee of continuity.

Before these demands were fully met the rebels had persuaded Nagy to negotiate with them only through an inner Cabinet of six "acceptable figures" which contained the real Government of Hungary.

The only figure in this inner Cabinet in whom the Russians could place any hope was János Kadar, the new Hungarian Communist party secretary.

Meanwhile the demand for free elections and for the complete withdrawal of all Soviet troops was on everyone's lips, and in Western Hungary rebel radio stations had already raised the first demand for Hungarian neutrality.

THE FEET OF CLAY

Russia was freed with a regime in Budapest which was no longer its puppet but a national coalition Government pledged to reviving democracy in the very heart of Russia's European empire. This threat of free elections, in which Hungary's Communists would have obtained at the most a five percent vote of ridicule, was one which the Kremlin simply could not ignore. It would have exposed the feet of clay on which Communism stands.

Hungary's haste to try for too much too quickly may have precipitated the second Soviet stroke, but it is doubtful whether this stroke could anyway have been warded off for long.

Kadar's latest promises to negotiate with Russia on the garrison question sounds rather like a dummy claim to argue with his own ventriloquist.

The long-term gains of the revolt can be evaluated only by history. But one thing stands out now. This is the public proof to the world that Communism is rejected and reviled by its own generation.

This is the answer to all the fairy tales that it is the "counter-revolutionaries" whom Soviet tanks are now suppressing. For these belong by definition to a previous era, whereas the revolt is of the present, the revolt of youth and even of schoolchildren born and bred in a Marxist world.

Thus if any splash is to be engraved for this tragedy it should not be for Magyar patriotism nor for liberty. Epitaphs are for the dead, and what has died is the ailing cause of Soviet Communism in Europe.

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A School That Teaches MANNERS FOR MARRIAGE

By DOROTHY HARRISON

London. IN a secluded country mansion, miles from cinemas or dance halls, fifteen young couples spend evenings in talking about Love, Courtship, and Marriage.

They have been engaged at least a year, and are "quizzing" experts on every phase of married life—from Hire Purchase to Sex.

That's the curriculum at a special week-end school run by Miss Alison Macara, organising secretary of Birmingham Association of Girls and Mixed Clubs—with the help of six chaplains.

The girls are accommodated in gaily painted dormitories with parquet floors and lofty ceilings. The boys are staying upstairs. Civilised living is the keynote of the course.

It is a long tradition in some parts of the world that father settles an argument with mother by giving her a slap with his hand—and that the boys are told, is not the way to domestic harmony!

A second (and less obvious) lesson: The boys are expected to be neatly dressed at mealtimes. No sitting down at table in shirt-sleeves and minus collars.

Third lesson: No feet up afterwards. They tie tea-cloths around them, and help with the washing up.

We told attractive Miss Macara: "We tell them that household chores are what they must expect as part of modern married life."

The couples have been invited to attend out of scores of applicants who heard of the

success of a similar weekend last year.

Now there are one or two innovations: Boys and girls sit side by side for every lecture and discussion on courtship and home-making, but they divide for the talk on sex.

That avoids embarrassment. Boys in the past, I learned, asked all the questions, showing no sign of self-consciousness. But their girls fell silent, obviously too shy.

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THE GESTAPO CHIEF SAVES THE MASTERPIECES

PICTURES IN PERIL. By H. H. Parr. Faber, 25s. 240 pages.

WORKS of art have two chief enemies, who endanger them in about equal measure—those who love them; or, at least, want them; and those who disapprove of them.

Iconoclasts used to give a veneer of religious respectability to their activities. Marx van St Aldegonde quoted the Old Testament in support of the destruc-

by **GEORGE MALCOLM THOMSON**
The Evening Standard Book Critic

tion of pictures in the Flemish churches.

In our own time, Mary Richardson attacked the Rokeby Venus with a hatchet to denigrate her annoyance with the imprisonment of Mrs Pankhurst, the suffragette.

Working on an ampler scale, and with more purely aesthetic motives, Hitler in 1939 ordered

—to keep the salt-miners in a job

the burning of 1,004 paintings and 3,820 watercolours in the courtyard of the Berlin fire station. They were "the scum of degenerate art."

But examples of art which even the Nazis did not call degenerate were not much safer in their hands. In the last days of the war, in the Salzkammergut, occurred one of the narrowest escapes in the history of human culture.

In a salt mine were stored the treasures of the Vienna museums. Hitler's planer, the great Jewish collector, the cream of 250 French collections, the Van Eyck altarpiece from Ghent and heaven knows what else. A fabulous concentration of masterpieces—and all in the keeping of a Nazi fanatic named Elgruber.

Hitler's orders were that, if the worst came to the worst, the entrances to the underground workings of the mine should be blown up. It was not enough for Elgruber. He proposed to hang anybody who opposed him, Elgruber was overcome, at the last minute, by Kallenbrunner, the Gestapo chief, who was persuaded to interfere, not to save the masterpieces of a thousand years of European culture, but so that the salt miners would not lose their jobs as would clearly happen if the mine was destroyed.

War, folly, cupidity and ignorance—these are the main enemies of art as Herr Parr sets them. His book is not attractively written or skilfully composed, but it will leave nobody in doubt that the life of a work of art is, at best, a chancy business.

We are lucky to possess as many masterpieces as we do.

The secrets

● **Easter in Sicily.** By Herbert Kuby. Gollancz, 18s. 248 pages. Kuby is the only man alive who writes travel books in a stage whisper.

Sicily, as he presents it, consists mainly of: 1—Sicilians; the young males believe themselves to be satyrs; the young females are chaste, by constraint or inclination. The social dilemma which this situation might create is solved by an influx of less-inhibited females, refugees from the frozen North.

2—The Sicilian religion (Christian with pagan connections).

3—The Sicilian national hero, the bandit Giulliano.

GOES TO MEET ROSEMARY CLOONEY



CLOONEY & STAPLETON

YES, SHE AGREES, WE WOMEN ARE TOPPLING FROM THE HIT PARADE

ONLY husky male voices can put the records into the best-selling lists these days — or so it seems from the latest figures.

Look at the current Top Ten hits below.

There is only one woman there—and she is no professional disc-jockey, but Princess Grace Kelly, in the list by virtue of one phony-like chorus with Bing Crosby in "True Love," from the film "High Society."

And women get only two more places in the first 30 money-spinners—Alma Cogan and The Beverley Sisters, all British.

THE FANS

TIME was when girls like Doris Day, Rosemary Clooney, and Ruby Murray were weekly members of the top fraternity.

So what happened to turn this into an almost purely stag affair?

It was Rosemary Clooney herself I questioned on this, since she is in London for a visit with her actor husband Jose Ferrer.

"Maybe it's because most of the fan club members are women," she suggested.

And she may be right. Of course, the rock 'n' roll storm is a purely male race. But that wouldn't explain away the Missing Girls of Disc-land.

THE CHANGES

MISS CLOONEY confessed that she couldn't keep pace with the changes in the record world.

"Last year I was away from America for three months and when I got back I was handed a copy of the current hit record list, and I didn't recognise more than two names on it." I asked Miss Clooney if she liked the newest crop of male singers.

"Some of them," she replied. "I think Pat Boone is great, but I don't like all gentlemen who sing those songs with indistinguishable words."

"In fact, the first time I heard one of them was when my kid sister was playing a gramophone in her room. I threatened to cut her pocket money if I caught her at it again."

THIS OIL IS MINE, SAID THE SULTAN

by **GEORGE MALCOLM THOMSON**

SULTAN IN OMAN. By James Morris. Faber, 16s. 165 pages.

THE Sultan of Muscat made a journey into the interior of his Arabian kingdom in the latter part of the year 1955. James Morris went with him and in this book gives a racy account of the royal progress.

The Sultan's trip—which was carried out in a fleet of motor trucks—was not inspired by curiosity alone, or by a desire to enjoy the scenery. It had a political purpose. Behind that political purpose was the commodity which provides the explanation for most happenings in the Middle East—oil.

Oil was being sought, and perhaps found, by a British company in an out-of-the-way part of the Sultan's dominions at a place called Fahud. But was Fahud really within the Sultan's realm?

The Sultan had no doubt at all about the answer. Nor had the British oil company. But a quite different view prevailed in certain other quarters.

A local religious notability called the Imam believed sincerely that Fahud belonged to him and that he was an independent sovereign. In this opinion the Imam was strongly supported by his ambitious brother, Talib, and also by the King of Saudi Arabia, Cairo radio and the American oil company.



The arrow points to Fahud — and the Sultan's oil.

pany which exploits the oil resources of Saudi Arabia.

Have mercy!

One day, then the Sultan of Muscat decided to assert himself in his own country. The devout Bedouin prays, "O Lord, have mercy on Mohammed and me but on no one else besides." The Sultan, whose piety is not in doubt, decided that the Lord was more likely to show mercy to those who looked after their own interests.

He sent his troops (paid for by the British oil company) against Imam.

The ensuing war was brief, bloodless and decisive. When it started, the Imam was told by Cairo radio that God and the Prophet expected him to stand like a solid steel barrier against the forces of imperialism.

The Imam disappointed this expectation. Faced by the forces of imperialism, he shinned down a rope from the summit of his fortress and fled on a donkey. His brother Talib disappeared into the night and has not been seen since.

After this victory it was time for Britain's friend, the Sultan, to make his way through the pacified country and receive the submission of the local sheiks.

This is the journey which James Morris narrates with composure and good humour.

Obviously he has no fanciful opinions about the rights and wrongs of the case. Whether the Sultan is really the rightful ruler of the disputed land where the oil is being looked for—that is a matter on which Morris seems to have an open mind.

He is even detached enough to doubt whether a rich oil strike is necessarily a blessing for an Arab country, but this doubt is not shared by that plump, alert little man, the Sultan of Muscat.

In his own royal typewriting, he dispatched to Morris an invitation to join him on the journey, which was destined to show his loyal, and less loyal, subjects the face of their ruler.

Perfumed

The Sultan and Morris set off, suitably perfumed with frankincense. "It is really meant to sweeten the beard," Morris was told, "but of course you haven't got one." Smooth-chinned Morris did what he could.

They were going into unknown country. Happily, the Sultan, plump, alert, and the owner of a haven of modest dimensions, is also an excellent map-reader.

The pace was excellent. "Boy," said an American, "the Sultan sure likes to beat the hell out of his trucks." Occasionally, a slave limousine off into the sand. On the whole everybody enjoyed the trip. The scenery reminded Morris sometimes of Dorset, sometimes of the Grand Canyon. Recalcitrant chieftains duly made their peace. Scapular tyrants were tamed. What had happened to the Imam were firmly told: "There is no Imam. Only the Sultan, on whom God's blessing falls!"

The Sultan picked up geological specimens—coal, iron and uranium? One never knows what form God's blessing will take.

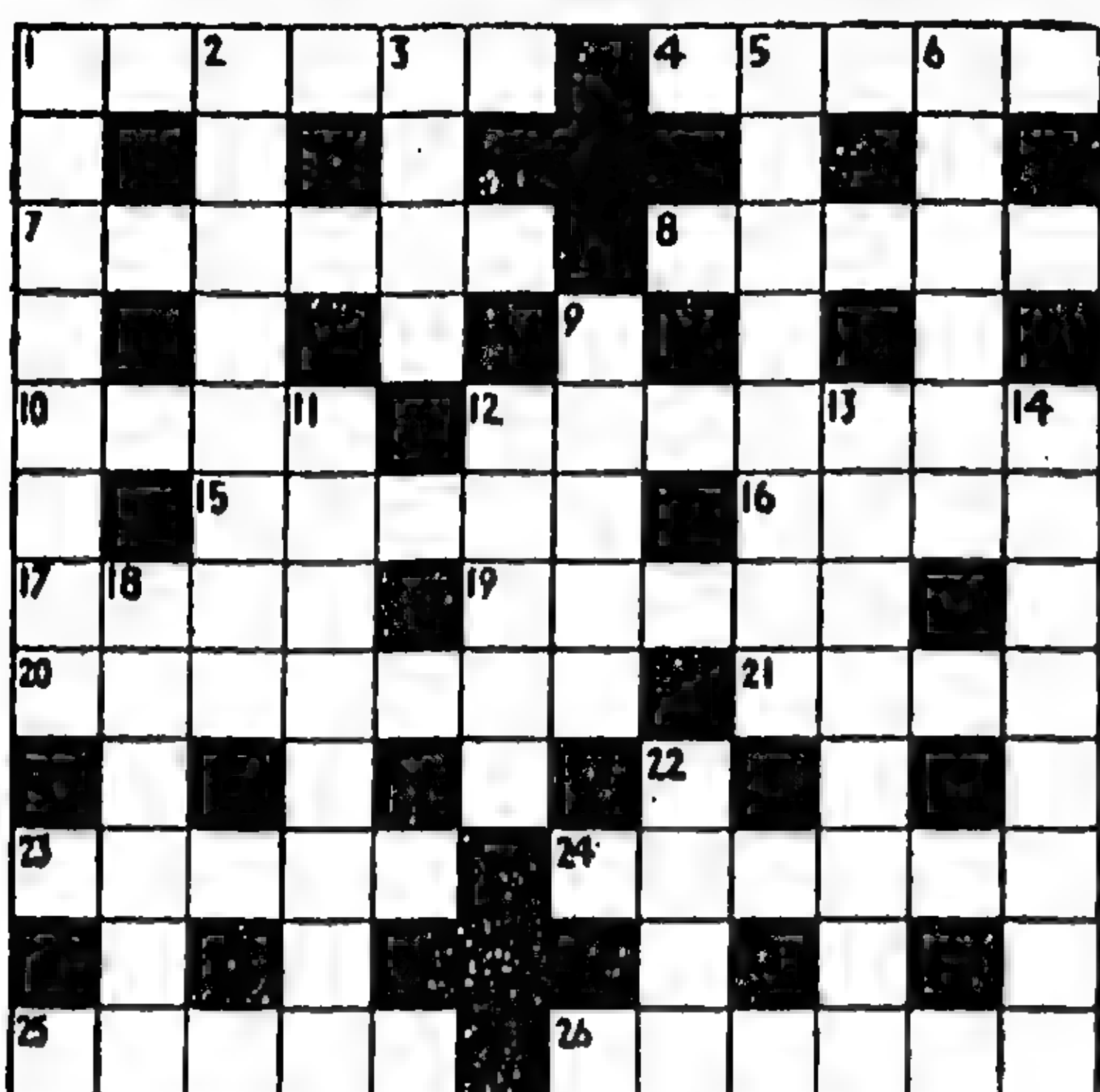
Morris picked up a useful tip on good manners. "In talking with these Arab rulers," said the Prime Minister to him, "it's considered bad etiquette 'to sit with your legs crossed, as you were doing. I thought you might like to be told. You never know, something of this kind might crop up again one of these days!'"

So the expedition did some good to all concerned in it. The Sultan asserted his authority over his united kingdom, at least until the next challenge. The British company could continue to look for oil at Fahud.

And the reader has, in this book a brief, diverting and informative record of one of the less sombre pages of Middle East history.

(London Express Service)

A British Crossword Puzzle



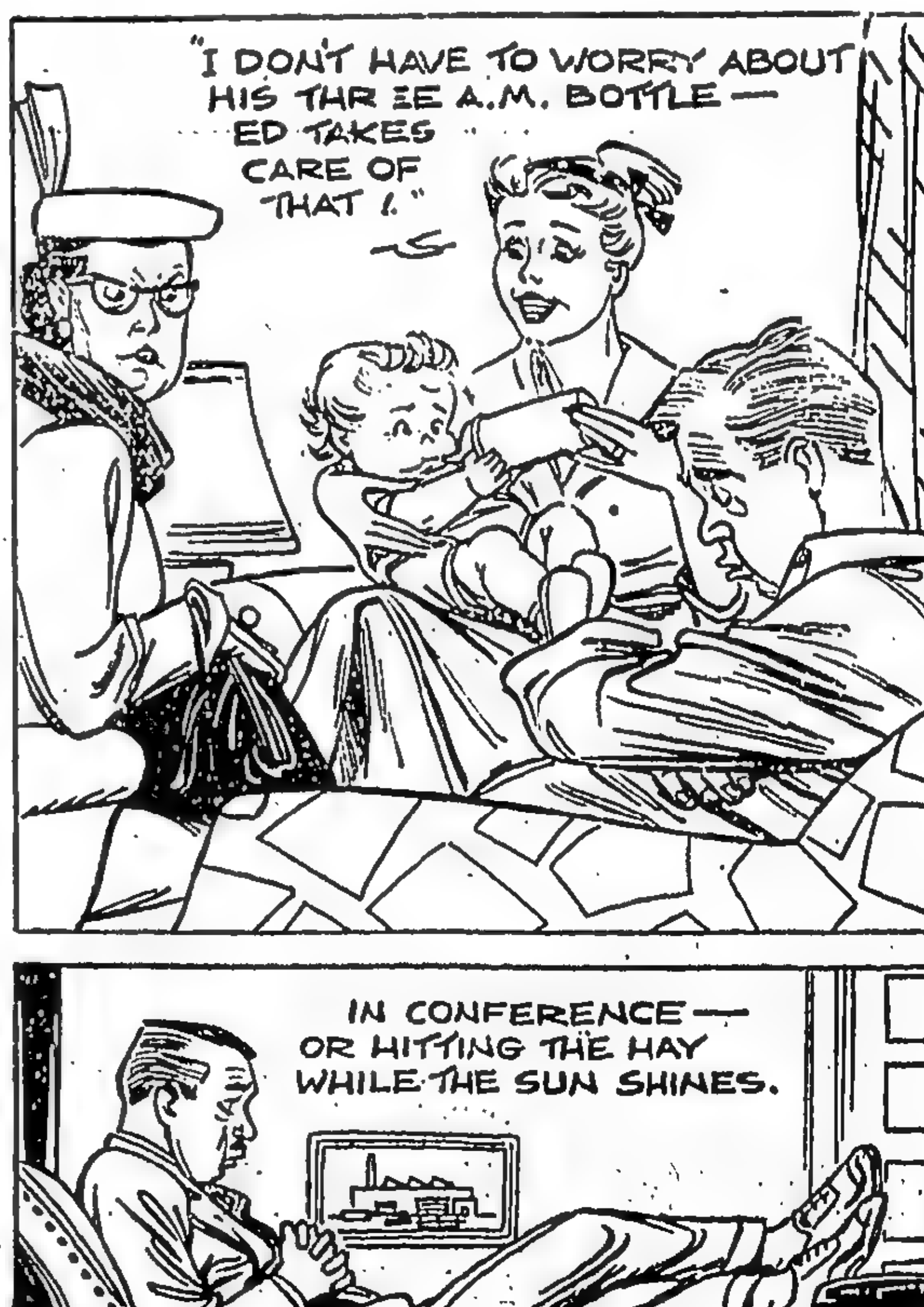
- ACROSS**
- 1 Swift (6)
 - 4 Refrain from killing the lean (5)
 - 7 Elevated (6)
 - 8 Gross (5)
 - 10 Demure (4)
 - 12 Carried on again (7)
 - 15 Aspirant to a commission (5)
 - 16 Lake (4)
 - 17 Uniform (4)
 - 19 Hectic state (5)
 - 20 Bundle of documents (7)
 - 21 Clock face (4)
 - 23 Teacher (5)
 - 24 Lasso (6)
 - 25 Poetry (5)
 - 26 Obstinate (6)
- DOWN**
- 1 Discarded (8)
 - 2 Structures (8)
 - 3 Dejected and indecisive result? (4)
 - 5 Scented (8)
 - 6 Duty list (6)
 - 9 Hinder (5)
 - 11 Large houses (8)
 - 12 Allude to (6)
 - 13 Deserving (8)
 - 14 Exhausted (8)
 - 18 Tame (6)
 - 22 Emblem of saintliness (4)

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 3 Doubtful, 6 Election, 9 Pictures, 11 Devils, 12 Fine, 13 Strip, 15 Siren, 16 Edam, 17 Rev, 22 Realises, 24 Eminence, 25 Errand, 26 Lifeline. Down: 1 Needy, 2 Stove, 3 Depart, 4 Omit, 5 Bet, 6 Forbid, 7 Lashed, 10 Cedar, 14 Ripen, 16 Preter, 18 Reveal, 17 Tariff, 20 Essay, 21 Aside, 22 Real, 25 Ace.

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EIGHTH RACE MEETING

Saturday 9th and Saturday 16th February, 1957

(To be held under the Rules of the Hong Kong Jockey Club)

THE PROGRAMME WILL CONSIST OF 16 RACES.

The First Race will be run at 1.30 p.m. and the First Race run at 2.00 p.m. on both days.

The Secretary's Office at Alexandra House will close at 11.45 a.m. on both days.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

NO PERSON WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED.

All persons MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the meeting.

Admission Ridges at \$10.00 each per day are obtainable from the Club's Cash Sweep Office, at Queen's Building, Chater Road only on the written introduction of a Member, who will be responsible for all visitors introduced by him.

Tickets will be obtainable at the Club House if ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 72811).

The 6th Floor is restricted to Members and Ladies wearing Lady's Brooches.

NO CHILDREN will be admitted to the Club's premises during the Meeting. For this purpose a Child is a person under the age of seventeen years, Western Standard.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission will be \$3.00 each per day payable at the Gate.

Any person leaving the Enclosure will be required to pay the requisite fee of \$3.00 in order to gain re-admission.

MEALS and REFRESHMENTS will be obtainable in the RESTAURANT.

SERVANTS

Servants must remain in their employers' boxes except for passing through on their duties. They may on no account use the Betting Booths or Play Out Booths in the Enclosures.

CASH SWEEPS

Through Cash Sweep Tickets at \$10.00 each per day and \$32.00 for both days may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Office at Queen's Building, (Chater Road), and 5, D'Agular Street, during normal office hours and until 11.00 a.m. on the day of the Race Meeting.

Particular numbers within the series 1 to 3,000 may be reserved for all race meetings as Through Tickets. Such tickets will be issued consecutively only and the right is reserved by the Stewards to cancel any reservation for Through Tickets for a particular Meeting if it is found that sales may not reach the number reserved in the series 1 to 3,000.

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Tickets reserved and available but not paid for by 10.00 a.m. on Friday, 8th February, will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future Meetings.

Tickets over 3,000 will also be issued consecutively but particular numbers cannot be reserved as Through Tickets. The reservation of any particular number does not confer on the registered holder any right whatsoever unless the ticket bearing the appropriate number is issued to and can be produced by the holder.

The Stewards reserve the right to refuse any subscription also the right to remove any name from Subscription Lists without stating reasons for their action.

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PAYMENT WILL NOT BE MADE ON TORN OR DISFIGURED TICKETS.

Bookmakers, Tie Tac men, etc. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club.

By Order of the Stewards,
A. E. ARNOLD,
Secretary.

WEEK-END SOFTBALL

All League-Leading Teams On Show In Men's Senior 'A' Bracket

By "TIME OUT"

This week's four-game softball card is highlighted by the appearance of all the League-leading teams in the Men's Senior "A" bracket, with the spotlight focussed on the veteran Saints as they make their final bid to stay among the leaders, with a return clash against the HK Pandas at 1.30 p.m. Another loss for the Joeys would mean farewell to their Pennant hopes as they now trail the triple leaders with one game behind.

Of the other two Senior scuffles featured, the Warriors and Blackhaws, joint holders of the top rung in their elusive ladder, will be having fairly easy times at the expense of the US Navy and ACG respectively and should maintain their posts with a few runs to spare.

Raising the curtain on tomorrow's thrilling card are the Senior "B" contingent as the undefeated PI Dodgers take on their keenest rivals, the Comets at 9.30 a.m.

Bimbi Abong's Saints will be making their final crack at the Senior "A" Pennant tomorrow when they meet up with the leading Pandas, as another loss would throw them out of the race for Championship honours. It will be remembered that their first defeat came at the hands of the Pandas in their first-round encounter, when hurler Saleh met up with one of his worst days on the mound, losing complete control of his usually pinpointed accuracy to walk in the winning run and virtually hand the victory over to their opponents on a silver platter.

Outfielder A. G. Ismail also aided greatly in his team's downfall when he bungled a few certainities in the outer pastures. However, these errors have steadily been erased, as seen in recent outings, and given an even break the Joeys will come off the field very much in the run with a wide-open Pennant—rings awaiting the team that insists the strenuous final lap.

FINE SQUAD

Left-hander A. R. Saleh will toe the rubber for the Joeys with speedy Jock Colliaco guarding the plate. The absence of Mario Pereira from the Joeys roster has a big bearing on the slipping of this fine squad, as Pereira was a solid unit of defence in his post and provided more than his share of the slugging that made the Joeys famous. However, young Jock Colliaco has fitted nicely as the replacement and though not as experienced as his mates, can be counted on.

NOTICE

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Programmes and Entry Forms for the 9th (Annual) Race Meeting 1956/57 to be held on Saturday 2nd, Wednesday 6th and Saturday 9th March, 1957, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Alexandra House; the Club House, Happy Valley; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Tuesday, 19th February, 1957.

By Order of the Stewards,
A. E. ARNOLD,
Secretary.

NOTICE

Amendment to Programme of the Ninth (Annual) Race Meeting Season 1956/57

1957 PONIES

(3rd Day) Wongneichong Stakes.

(3rd Day) Lusitano Cup.

Entries for the above will NOT be restricted to one race only. Ponies may be entered for either one or both races.

By Order,
A. E. ARNOLD,
Secretary.

to give his all in every appearance.

The infield quartet will probably be the same power-packed one that decorated the field every time the Saints appear, with a trio of veterans revolving around invaluable Claude Pugh at shortstop, Husky Dave Leonard will be placed at first while ballwaddy Art Ozorio and Benny Omar cover their respective positions at the keystone and hot-corner. All-round utility man Sherry Buch will probably be standing by in reserve if the situation arises.

The outfield will probably undergo a slight reshuffle as reliable Gus Pereira, one of the game's better gardeners, has left the Colony. The trio toiling in the outer pastures will probably be Mamie Xavier, at left, A. G. Ismail at centre and Jindo Hussain at right.

The Pandas, still licking their wounds from their recent defeat when they were knocked off their lofty perch in the League table by the youthful Hawks, will also be out in strength to prevent a repetition of what took place some weeks back. With the Pennant race now batted wide open to welcome all comers, the Cubs cannot afford another defeat for this would push them down to third place in a two-way tie with the Joeys, for the other joint-holders if the top spot are facing weak opposition tomorrow and their continued stay at the top is nearly assured.

As usual, the bulk of the work will fall on the right arm of ace slinger Jackie Wei, but the fast-aging arm is no longer what it used to be and can only be counted on for four to five good innings, and if, in that time, his mates cannot pile on the necessary lead for him to coast through the final stages, then another defeat will be at their backs.

Batterymate Raymond Tsao once gained respect from every base-purloiner in the League with his whiplike pegs across the diamond, but of late his fallen off considerably as while the speed is unaltered, the accuracy of his pegs has fallen off considerably. Many runs were given up unnecessarily because of this. Undoubtedly, their hot-corner guardians are their main attractions as veteran Wally Ma at third is certain death to all grounders while Y. S. Liang, long-reigning idol of the Chinese sector, sits at centre and wields a hickory besides being in a class by himself at the windy alley. Lanky Harold Ong at first base guards his post with unerring mits while up-and-coming Bobbie Tao dishes up a steady job at the keystone.

WORTH WATCHING

The main flaw in this team lies in their outer line of defence of gardeners parading in the outfield pastures are about the weakest in the League today. Young Eddie Tao at left is about the only fielder worth watching as this youngster is pretty fast on his feet besides having an accurate arm. L. P. Lam at centre and Frankie Cheng at right are hardly out of field material and only hold their positions because of the ability to come through occasionally in the clutch.

Once the Joeys have their eyes zeroed in on Jackie Wei's first tomorrow, fans can expect a lot of action in the outfield, for no doubt plot Abong will be telling his boys to pound away at this week's spot for their runs. And practically every batter on the Saints roster can accommodate with a long fly in that direction. With the breaks being distributed evenly in this clash,

my money is on the Joeys to turn the tables on their opponents to avenge their first-round defeat.

Of the other games featured in tomorrow's programme, fans may look forward to a thrilling day of free-for-all slugging as the mighty guns of the power-packed Blackhaws face a rookie ACG squad while Hank Killean's hap-happy Warriors entertain visitors from the US Navy.

SCHEDULE

Feb. 17: 9.30 a.m. Ground A Comets vs Dodgers (Pung G., Abbas K.; Lee B.)

11.30 a.m. Ground A Warriors vs U.S. Navy (Diestra F., Vieira D.; Dayaram L.)

1.30 p.m. Ground A Saints vs Pandas (Two U.S. Navy players; Tang K. Hon.)

3.30 p.m. Ground A Blackhaws vs ACG (Chun K., Ong H.; Law P. J.)

SPORTS QUIZ

1. In what sports are the following prominent: Rex Hartwig, Nandor Hidegkuti and Ken Jones?
2. In what event did the following win gold medals at Melbourne: Ron Delaney, Alali Mimoun and Charles Dumas?
3. What do these initials stand for: MCC, NBC, TTT?
4. For which events are the following trophies awarded: the Wightman Cup and the Jules Rimet Trophy?
5. A boxer who won three Olympic gold medals has just turned professional. Name please.
6. Which boxer was the World Heavyweight Champion in 1900, John L. Sullivan, James J. Jeffries, or Jack Johnson?
7. May a batsman hit the ball twice?
8. If a golfer hits the ball twice how is it scored?
9. How many players are there in a baseball team?
10. In which country did hurling originate?

(Answers See Page 17)

SPORTS ROUND-UP

Permission Granted For John Charles To Play In Uganda In June

John Charles, the Leeds and Wales inside-forward, has been given permission by his club and the Football Association to play in a series of exhibition matches in Uganda in June.

Trevor Bailey, England all-rounder, who was given practically no chance of playing in the fourth Test by his doctor, may play after all. Bailey has started not practice—his first since breaking a bone in his right hand in the last Test—and is reported to have made "splendid progress".

A NEW JOB
John Dilsby, Britain's Olympic steeplechaser, may not take part in competitive athletics again. He has just started a skiing instructor's course in Norway, and has

done no serious training since the Melbourne Games. "It is possible that a new job may mean my giving up competitive running altogether," he says.

John Surtees, the World 500cc Motor Cycling Champion, who has been out of competitive racing since he broke his right arm last July, had his first race last weekend in a roller-bility trial. And for once Surtees competed as a novice.

Dr Roger Bannister, the first man to break the four minute mile barrier, expects to be called up for military service next month. Bannister was deferred while he studied medicine. Now he has qualified, he becomes eligible for National Service.

Alek Jeffries, the Doncaster Rovers inside-forward, who broke a leg playing for England under 23's against France in October, will not play again this year. The specialist at the Doncaster hospital where Alek is under treatment has ordered him to stay in plaster for the time being. Says Alek: "I know it's for my own good. I'll be satisfied if I'm playing next season."—London Express Service. (Copyright)

And they sacked the wrong man.

I don't want to sound like a squelcher. But I am now going to tell you just how Jimmy Guthrie, 11 years the fighter for the footballers' New Deal, was slung on to Soccer's scrap heap.

Looking back I see, stark and clear, the three reasons for my sacking.

1. A whispering campaign conducted by men on the Union committee as well as top "boys" of the Football League and the Football Association.

2. The incredible fact that I was not allowed to hold a Union card, and

3. My frankness in telling the delegates at the meeting that with no card had no legal right to be present.

The whispering campaign against Guthrie started many years ago, hounding up over the last three years. League and FA officials resented my blunt approach to their dictatorship.

I was warned by club directors that the Big Men of the League and FA were gunning for Guthrie.

LEAGUE CHIEF

Then, about two years ago, Arthur Oakley, of Wolves, President of the Football League, talked with Union committee member Geoff Fox—then of Bristol Rovers. Result: An emergency meeting of the Union committee to consider my conduct was called.

I have a letter from Fox to the committee which alleged that Arthur Oakley had told him "nobody likes Jimmy Guthrie's methods." The sooner the Union makes a change the better.

Then on November 8 last year, Chelsea players held a meeting. Among the points they raised in a protest letter to me was that the Union "had failed to obtain the best possible joint accident insurance scheme."

I visited Chelsea and their leader Ken Armstrong and then reported their dissatisfaction to my committee, adding that Armstrong—he is an insurance broker—was offering an insurance scheme that he maintained would save the Union \$2,000.

I was astounded when my committee accused me of collusion with the Chelsea players to replace the committee's insurance scheme with Armstrong's.

WALTON OPPOSES

The present Union scheme was introduced by committee-man Frank Walton, ex-Southern.

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WHISPERERS WIN THEIR CAMPAIGN—I BLAME THE SOCCER BOSSES

By Jimmy Guthrie

the former Portsmouth player who was "sacked" from his job as Chairman of the Players' Union the other week.

Jimmy Guthrie Tells All

- I know who stabbed me in the back.
- My struggle for the working footballer.
- Behind the scenes with the FA and League.
- The transfer system and players' wages.
- The truth about the Trevor Ford case.

Jimmy Guthrie, Chairman of the Players' Union until recently, has decided to tell the full story behind his story every fan, footballer, and official will want to read.

Guthrie was known as a hard-hitting negotiator. In this exclusive series, he pulls no punches. Don't miss the Guthrie story... beginning in the China Mail from today.

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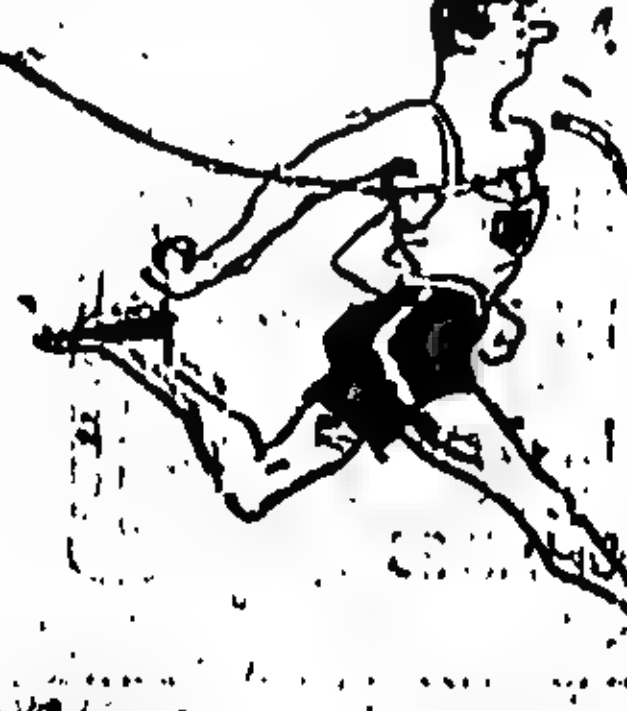
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Guthrie Is Wanted As Wisbech Manager

By JACK WOOD

Jimmy Guthrie, sacked, and in many places lamented, ex-boss of the Football Players' Union, will soon be offered a £1,000 a year job as manager of Midland League Club Wisbech Town.

Guthrie wants to stay in football. The idea of running a club for the first time at the salary he received with the Union, should appeal to him. Wisbech director David Barr told me: "Mr Guthrie had a distinguished career as a player, and we are desperately in need of a new manager."

The present manager at Wisbech is former Norwich City centre half, Reg Foulkes, who has told the club he must return to a house he has bought in Norwich as soon as possible because of his wife's ill-health.

GOOD SUPPORT
Wisbech at the moment are struggling at the wrong end of the Midland League. "But we have good support, and are a progressive club, receiving a handsome sum each week from our supporters' club," says Mr Barr.

Barr for the ambitious Guthrie will be a free hand in

the recruiting and coaching of players—and a £3,000 house. He will also be offered a contract. He never had one with the Union, and when he was sacked recently he received only a month's pay in lieu of notice.

UNITED EFFORT
Meanwhile, the protest against his dismissal grows, and players of West Bromwich Albion and Birmingham united in their effort to have his case reopened.

Birmingham skipper Roy Warhurst and left-winger Alex Govan met the Albion players returning from Worthing where, the other night, Union Committee man Jimmy Hill, of Fulham, had given them his version of Guthrie's sacking. The Birmingham players would like to see Hill, and if possible, Guthrie. Lately they aimed to contact Aston Villa players, who are at Blackpool, to get support.

Guthrie's comment on the Hill visit to Worthing: "Hill can say what he likes. I wish he would come into the open and say it."

"How nice it is to know that some Union members are ready to fight for me after all that has happened."

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Sandown Increase 'Eclipse' To £5000

By RICHARD BAERLEIN

Sponsored races will be appearing in increasing numbers during the coming year, and as it is clear that betting legislation is still some years away, owners will be hoping for more and more of them to assist in meeting expenses.

In an article the other day I suggested Sandown Park had such a fine course that it would be in their interests to promote more big races themselves. In addition to the £8,000 Whitbread Gold Cup so generously presented by Colonel Whitbread, I said that Sandown had only £1,500 to the Eclipse Stakes, which was worth £8,544 to the winning owner in 1956.

BIGGER TOTAL
In fact, Sandown add £3,000 and not £1,500 to the Eclipse Stakes and therefore they add a total of £4,000—and not £2,500 as I suggested—to the three most valuable races run there during the year. I am sorry for this mistake.

In addition Sandown Park Executive took steps in 1955 to increase the money added to the Eclipse Stakes to £5,000 from 1958 onwards.

Entries for this race close when the horses are only yearlings, so any change in the conditions has to be made three years before it takes effect. Sandown have introduced five new flat races of £1,000 or more since the war.

MAXIMUM
I also stated that Sandown Park add only £200 to the Sandown Park Stud Produce Stakes for two-year-olds, worth three £2,000 to the winner. And so they do. But it must be understood that, as this race is run in April, they are precluded from increasing the prize under a Jockey Club ruling which fixes £200 as the maximum that can be given for any two-year-old sweepstake run before the Epsom Summer Meeting.

Sandown Park do not intend to curtail their prize money in any way on April 27, the day that the new sponsored Whitbread Cup is to be run, despite that race carrying a £4,000 prize for the winner and about £6,000 in all.

Also on the card that day will be the Coronation Stakes, for which the prize money is £1,000, and the Royal Stakes, where it is £1,500. Both these are new post-war races. In addition that day there is the Easter Cup (£1,000), and the total prize money given by Sandown that day alone is £4,700. There should be a record crowd.

To my mind Sandown is the ideal London racecourse on which to produce racing of Ascot standard, because the public gets such a fine view of the racing from all enclosures. There is no course where the turnstiles click faster when a top-class race is presented, which is why I feel sure that it would be in the interests of all concerned if a big handicap were added to the Sandown list.

"SEVENS" NEWS
This year's Sevens-side Knockout Competition for the Blarney Stone Shield has been put back to the 12th, 13th, 14th and 16th of March at the Club Ground.

Entries are now being called for and should be sent to Mr Leslie Williams, c/o Dodwell & Co. Ltd., to arrive not later than February 25. The entrance fee is \$15 per side of not more than eight players. Service units, ships, etc. will have first call on players' services, so persons intending to form teams should ensure that their prospective players are available.

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SIR STANLEY ROUS on —

Since the recent announcement that the FA were planning a British-Continental get-together to discuss proposals for a European Soccer super-league, everybody has been talking and making wild guesses about it. Here, for the first time, the man behind this far-sighted and imaginative plan, Sir Stanley Rous, Secretary of the Football Association, answers all questions.

This Is The Way To Golden Gates

Q. What exactly has been proposed?

A. A restricted floodlight competition, either on the League or Cup principle, will be discussed. We have suggested a two-year trial period. If it proves successful during the trial period, then the way could be clear for a full-scale tie-up with the Continent.

Q. Could this lead to a reconstruction of the Football League competition?

A. Yes, I think so, not only in Britain but also in European countries where clubs are committed to extensive League fixtures. But I must emphasise that this is entirely a matter for the Football League clubs. I am sure that it is not the intention of any one of the Leagues involved to cause hardship to any of their members. It is a constructive scheme, and all will benefit.

New clubs

Q. Will many, or any, of the present clubs in the Football League be wiped out?

A. Definitely not. I know there is a feeling that the divisions should be streamlined, and possibly a number of non-league clubs from the busy new industrial areas admitted.

A good export trade is always based on a thriving home market. You must have a domestic League and also the home-bred excitement of the FA Cup.

Q. It seems that at the beginning only the star clubs in each country would compete. Would that mean only they would benefit financially?

A. Not at all. I know that the Football League's attitude is "One for All." Net takings could go into a pool on the lines of the FA Cup pool. We would undertake to administer this for the clubs.

Q. It would mean for a while that the big clubs would subsidise the smaller ones. Would it eventually operate at all levels?

A. Yes. As I said over the air the other Saturday night, any plan must provide for the Readings, Swindons, Exeters, and Plymouths; the Barrows, Workingtons, and Bradfords; as well as for the First and Second Division clubs.

Q. Would this mean the end of the European Cup, the Inter-Cities Cup, and football friendships between home and foreign clubs?

A. (1 and 2) No. These are existing, successful competitions. No effort will be made to interfere with them. (3) They would be banned, but surely competitive games will be more beneficial.

That tax

Q. Will expenses for a European League be high?

A. I don't see why they should. Air transport is available, and airfields are numerous. Fares are not prohibitive. Financial restrictions on foreign exchange have been eased.

Q. On the question of future finance, is there a chance of the Chancellor of the Exchequer lifting, or easing Entertainment Tax on professional football at the next Budget?

A. I have never known a Chancellor advise anyone of his intentions beforehand... but we just hope!

Q. What else will you learn from such a conference as you propose?

A. We hope to find out the existing relations between the Associations and Leagues of the Continental countries. After all, they did copy the administrative set-up started in England.

Strain

Q. Will the players be able to stand up to the extra games involved?

A. That is a most urgent problem. There is extra long distance travelling involved, and the physical effort,

mental and emotional strain of playing before foreign crowds. Happily, many more of our players are because of floodlight games finding it easier to play two hard games a week.

INTERVIEWER...

ROY PESKETT

TAKINGS HIGHER ABROAD

Q. Would this mean that clubs would need more players?

A. It could do, at least until the various Leagues are agreeable to reducing the number of clubs per division.

Fruits

Q. Would such a League be financially worth while?

A. Of course, so long as there are not too many games to drag on the public pocket. The success of Manchester United, both in the playing and money sense, is a good example. If they reach the final of the European Cup they will clear around £40,000.

Further, the takings from matches abroad are often much higher than in this country. Recently the home and away games in the European Cup between Real Madrid and Vienna Rapid attracted 100,000 spectators. A replay was necessary, and Rapid accepted an offer of £9,000 compensation to play in Madrid. Ninety thousand people turned up!

Summing up: The Football League clubs will give close consideration to this scheme at their meeting in London next month. Anything of a progressive nature will be most beneficial to them and to the game.

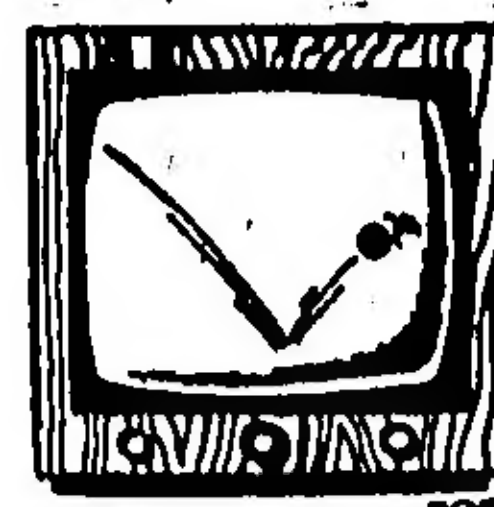
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Answers To Sports Quiz

1. Lawn tennis, association football and rugby union.
2. Fifteen hundred metres, marathon and high jump.
3. Marylebone Cricket Club, National Boxing Club and Tourist Trophy.
4. The annual lawn tennis tournament between the women's teams of Britain and America, and the world soccer championship.
5. Laszlo Papp, of Hungary.
6. James J. Jeffries.
7. Only to defend his wicket, not to score a run.
8. 1 is scored as two strokes.
9. Nine.
10. Ireland.

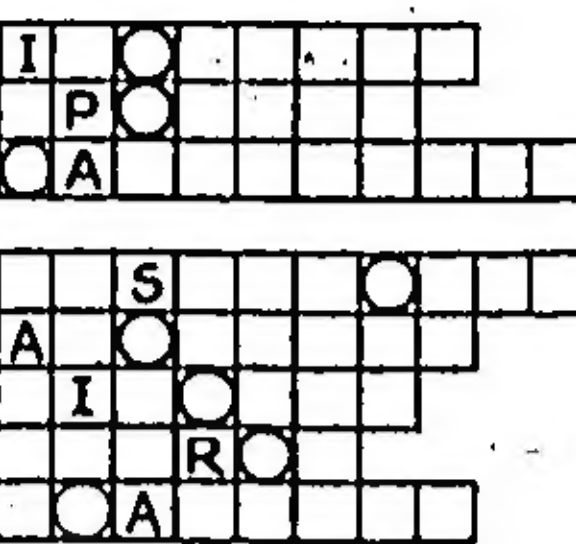


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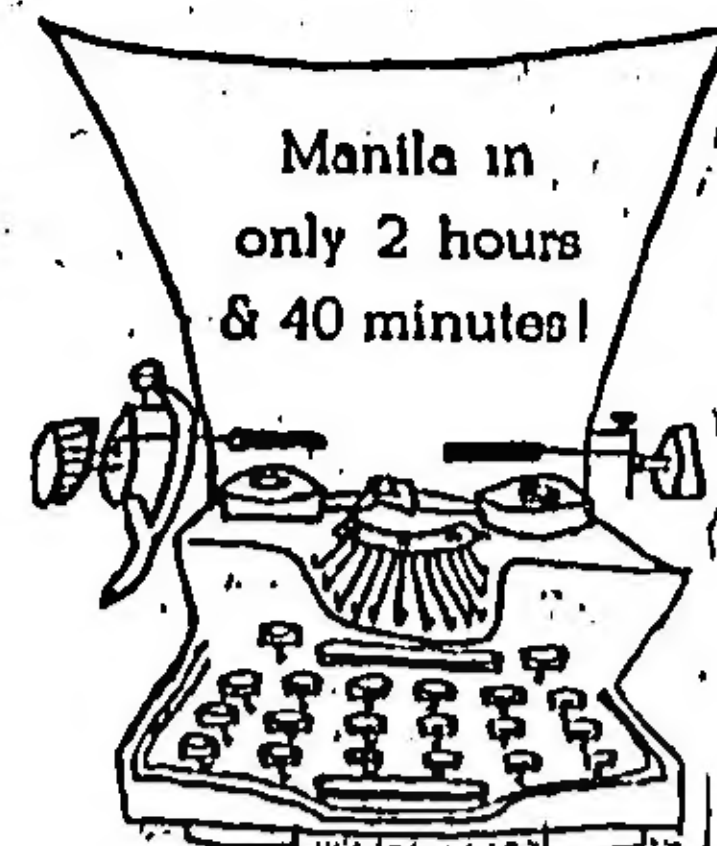
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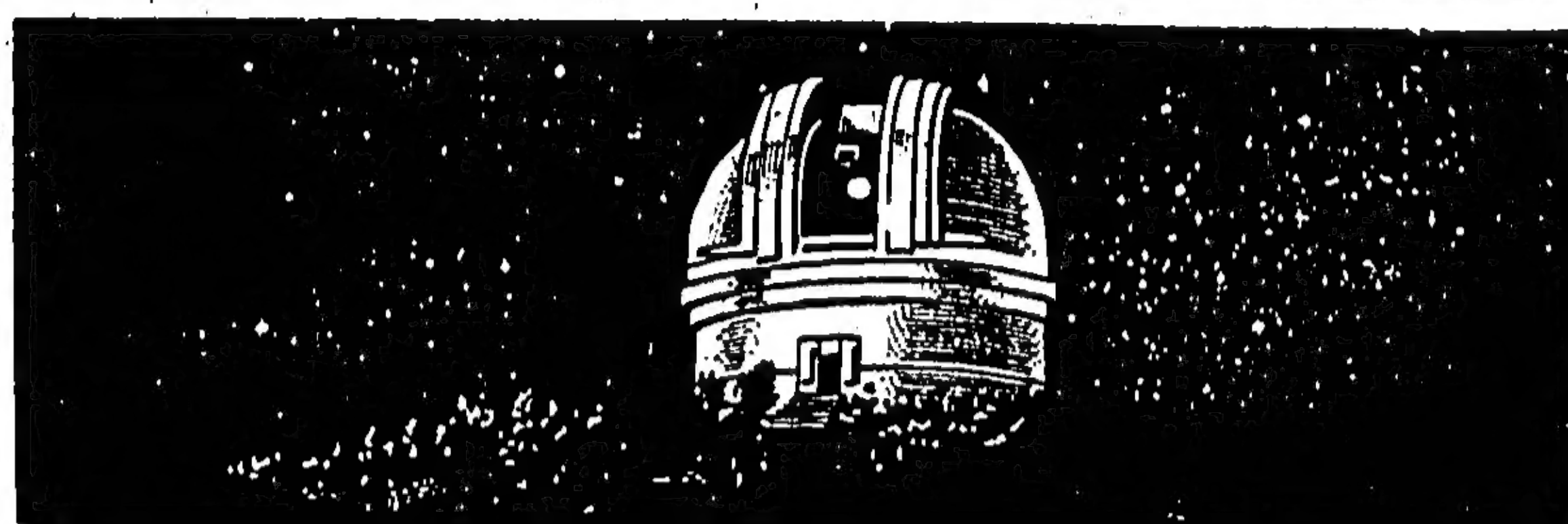
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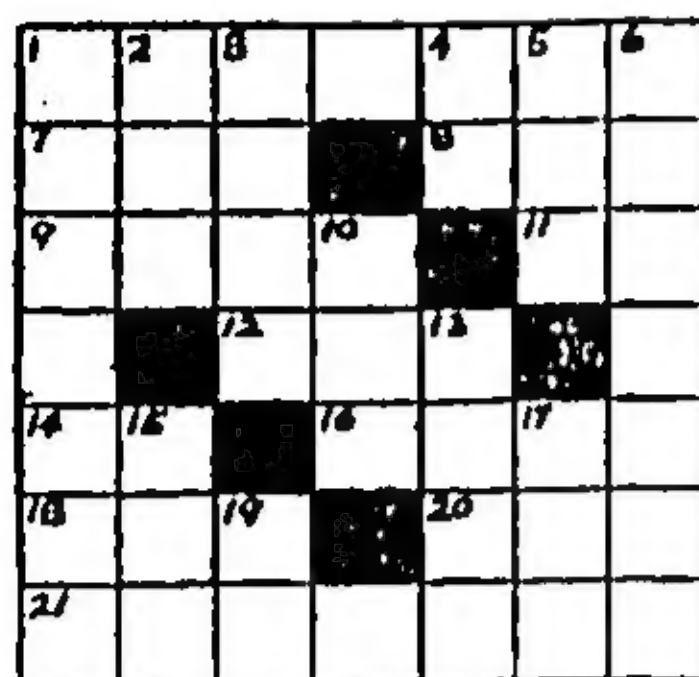
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ACROSS

1. Boy's name.
7. Dress edge.
8. Mineral rock.
9. Dry.
11. While.
12. Residence (ab.).
14. Behold!
16. Fiddling Roman emperor.
18. Dutch city.
20. Paving material.
21. Toothed, as a saw.

DOWN

1. Boy's name.
2. She.
3. Persian prince.
4. Toward.
5. Age.
6. Rebuild.
10. Lair.
13. Bristle.
15. Poem.
17. Rodent.
19. East River (ab.).

ADD-A-SCRAMBLE

To a form of the verb "be" add a letter and scramble for "a Scottish cap"; and another letter and have "domesticated"; add still another letter and scramble for Latin for "mother"; once more and have "material".

ASCENT OF MT MANASLU CELEBRATED

THOSE of us fortunate enough to have climbed high mountains will always recall the wild surprise with which we beheld the beauty of snowfields turned by the morning sun to fields of fire.

For me, recollections of my first high climb above Chamonix, in the French Alps, were awakened by this Japanese stamp issued to celebrate the ascent of Mt. Manaslu (26,698



feet) by a Japanese expedition of 12 led by a man aged 62, Mr. Yako Maki.

Until the Japanese tackled it last May, Manaslu, in the Himalayas, was the third highest, unconquered peak. Mr. Maki left little to chance. His team was the best equipped of any of the teams Japan has ever sent to conquer mountains. They even carried bed heaters—small tins filled with chemicals which will provide warmth inside a bed at any altitude. First to scale Manaslu were Mr. Imaiishi and a Sherpa, Gyalzen. Next up were Mr. Kato and Mr. Higeta. All used an open circuit oxygen apparatus.

So careful was leader Maki in his approach to the mountain that he even contributed to the repair of a Buddhist temple at the village of Samu en route.

This temple collapsed in 1953 after the first Japanese attempt on Manaslu. Villagers attributed the disaster to the wrath of the mountain gods at the invasion of their sanctuary by the climbers.

The snowfield stamp, reproduced here, is perforated 13 by 13, printed in photogravure and costs 6d in London.

—J.A.A.

MIRROR WORK

The answer to the first part of these puzzles is the same as the answer to the last part when you hold it to a mirror (or read it backward):

- Snares—Separate.
Insane—River barrier.
God of love—Painful.
Heavenly body—Rodents.
Knocks—Mast.
Short jacket—Short letter.

"D" WORDS

Can you find 12 things which begin with a "D" in this scene?



(Solutions on Page 20)

HOW TO STAND ON YOUR HEAD

PUT YOUR FOREHEAD...

ON THE RUG!

HANDS SHOULD BE ABOUT 12 IN. BACK...

HEAD AND HANDS SHOULD FORM A TRIANGLE.

FINGERS SHOULD POINT FORWARD.

KICK ONE FOOT UP... KEEP WEIGHT ON HANDS.

THEN KICK UP OTHER FOOT.

TOES POINTED TOGETHER.

KEEP WEIGHT ON HANDS WHILE ARCHING.

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DANGER LURKS IN THESE WILD ANIMALS

By HENRY H. GRAHAM

NEARLY all wild animals, even the most ferocious, will get out of man's way if it is possible. However, when a mother bear or cougar is accompanied by little ones, she becomes very belligerent in the presence of human beings or menacing furbearers.

Woodsmen always give such a wild mother a wide berth. Mother love is strong in every wilderness creature and she will fight to the death in defence of her growing family.

The huge grizzly bear is the most dangerous wild animal on the North American continent.

Usually the mammoth bruin will not attack man unless provoked, threatened or with cubs. But there are a few recorded cases of an open challenge on mere sight.

Particularly has this been the case on narrow mountain trails. The grizzly heartily dislikes to be cornered. As long as he has a good possibility of getting away unchallenged, he loses no time in running, as a rule.

A friend of mine once surprised a mother grizzly with cubs while he was hiking on a mountain slope. Although he made no effort to molest the creature or her babies, the parent deliberately charged him.

Fortunately, he was able to shun up a small evergreen and escape the powerful jaws of the pursuer. Bears cannot climb small trees. The big animal kept him at bay for an hour and even tried to climb up him. He had many anxious moments.

In the end, however, she went away and bothered him no more. While my friend was true, the small cubs played gaily on the hillside, seemingly oblivious to the situation.

FOR ITS SIZE, the wolverine is likely the strongest rubberer in the whole world. It has been known to roll over logs that would require the strength of two men to handle.

This compact bundle of muscle and lightning fury thinks nothing of pitching into animals far larger than itself. Sometimes it kills them, too. Many a coyote has come out second best in its struggle with the wolverine. Small bears have, according to woodsmen, also succumbed. Wildcats and partly-grown cougars have been overcome.

The wolverine is a terrific killer. It follows traplines, slaying and destroying snared animals. It seems to kill for sheer viciousness, even when not hungry.

WITH ITS IRON-LIKE claws and sharp teeth, the cougar is also a dangerous customer. While cowardly, it has attacked children when they were unaccompanied by adults. However, this has probably happened

only when the big cat was desperately hungry.

Through sheer curiosity it does sometimes follow lone wilderness travellers, usually keeping at a safe distance.

Its foraging is done principally at night because its vision is excellent under cover of darkness. Then it can steal up on its prey more easily.

FOUND FOR POUND, the banger, habitue of the brushlands and coasts, almost equals the wolverine in strength and ferocity.

It is nothing unusual for a banger weighing not more than 30 pounds to kill a coyote or dog several times its size.

This squat quadruped has even been known to attack a man.

Sometimes, in order to bring a banger from his burrow, water is poured into the nose. The banger comes out wet but ignoring man and the hunter should be prepared to do some quick dodging if he is unarmed. Unless he is armed at a very early age, the banger makes a poor pet, not being very sociable. It hunts good alone as a rule, rarely having companions.

Perhaps its outstanding characteristic is its digging ability. Working hard, a banger can dig a hole and get completely out of sight in a matter of seconds.

MOOSE, DEER and elk attack human beings readily when wounded, cornered or seriously threatened in any way. But ordinarily they are docile and peace-loving.

Almost all wild creatures will fight when menaced. Self-preservation is the first law of nature, overriding all others.

Outdoor men have often wondered how a weasel would come out in a struggle with a mink. I was once privileged to see such an encounter in the Idaho mountains.

These two devilish killers met face to face on the bank of a little stream. Instantly they flew at each other's throats.

But the battle was of short duration. The mink soon throttled his opponent.

TWENTY-FOUR CENTURIES IN A DEEP FREEZE

WHEN we think of ancient civilisations we usually think of those in warm countries like Egypt, Mexico, or even the southern United States. But recent excavations in ancient tombs in Siberia have startled the world.

In this frozen land were found burial mounds up to 200 feet in diameter. They had never thawed out since they were first placed there, about 2,400 years ago. As everything has been preserved through the ages, we now have a very good idea of how these people lived.

The ancient Greeks knew of the existence of this Mongol-like race; they called them "griffins."

CARPETED FLOORS

These early Russians depended upon the horse for getting from place to place and as many as 20 have been found buried in the grave of an important chief.

The rooms of the tombs were made of logs and there were often carpets on the floors. Clothes consisted mainly of fur and leather, although they also had broadcloth and felt.

The wealth of a kubo was determined by the number of his horses. Their main occupation was trading with their neighbours. When they were able to find enough pasture they also raised sheep (the wool was as good as the best produced today) and goats and yaks.

Judging by the food found in the tombs, meals consisted chiefly of meat and dairy pro-



That's no gentle smile this cougar is sporting—he means business.

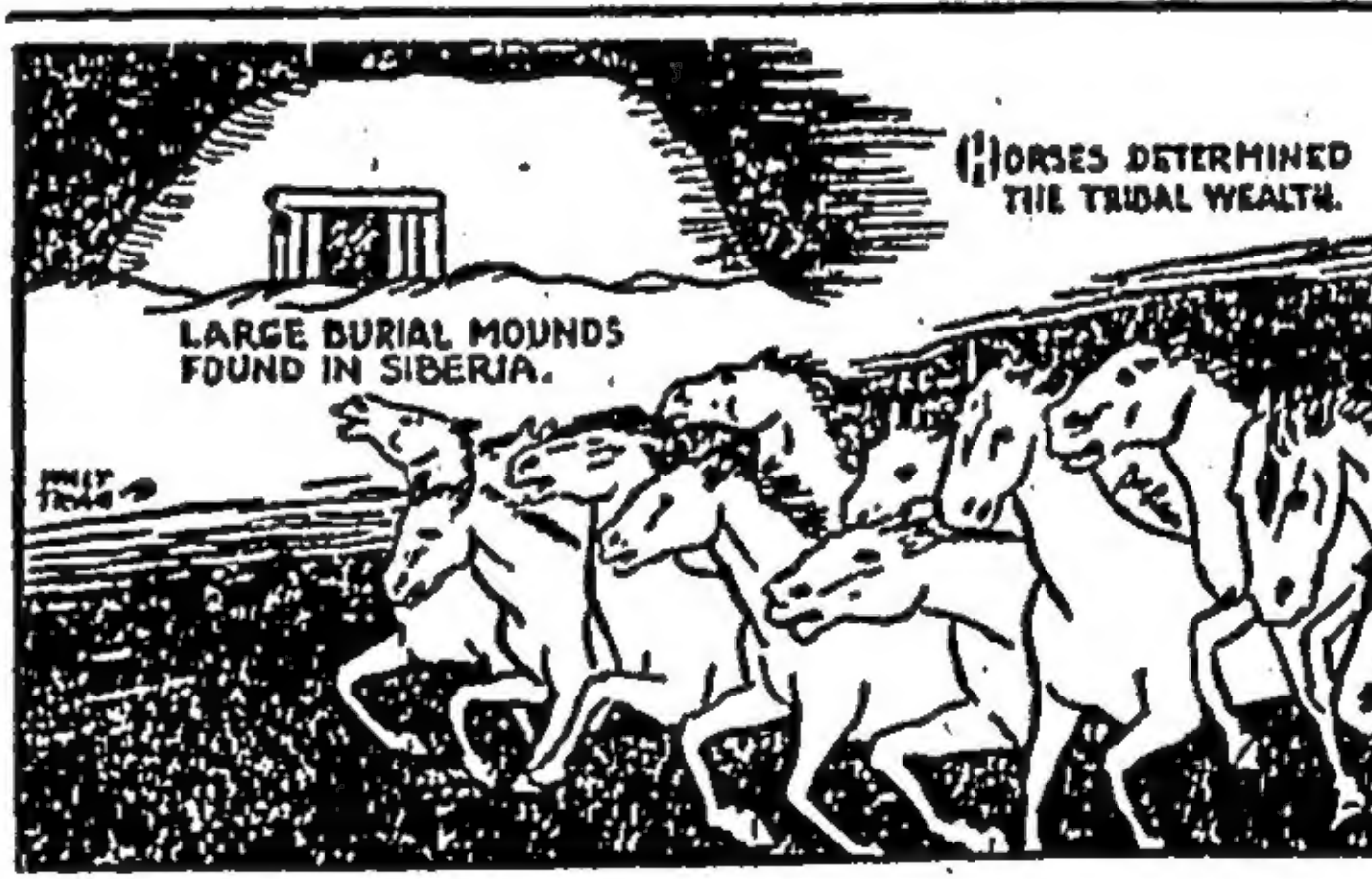


This wood sculpture of the "Grizzly in the Trap" captures the power and intensity of that animal. Blackfoot Indian sculptor John Clark carved the masterpiece from a tree trunk, using only a bow-knife.

Both of these predators are killers, accounting for many animals every year. But the mink is larger and just as nimble, so it always holds the upper hand in death struggle with a weasel.

Both of them are, of course, too small to attack a human being. But pound for pound they almost match the dreaded wolverine.

All are terrors to the smaller kinds of wild life.



These old time Siberians had many kinds of iron tools, fine needles and knew how to cure skins and make ornaments of gold. They were also skilled artists and decorated everything possible including rugs, clothing, and the wood of their homes. Many local animals were carved or woven into their designs but there were pictures of creatures that lived in faraway, warmer climates, too.

And this proves that the tribesmen did not stay at home but wandered over most of Asia trading and fighting with peoples who were perhaps more civilised than they.

Rupert and the Windy Day—20



The girls on the new slope is longer than ever. And there are no school buses to be seen anywhere. "This side of the hill is rather broad," says Geoffrey. "If baby Pussycat did roll his chair over the edge, he may not have come straight down. We'd better see what happens."

spread themselves out to cover more ground when we reach the trees." So Edward goes to his right and Rupert to his left, and they keep a keen look out. Soon there is a call from the boy, and closing in they see him pulling a peashooter from a bush.

Adjust Your Space Suit—Take Off!

WITH interplanetary travel a possibility and man-made satellites a reality, many a young person is directing a wistful gaze toward the stratosphere. Before take-off, read Roy Gallant's Exploring the Universe.

Lowell Hess's pictures help explain our knowledge of the universe, and describe the theories of philosophers and astronomers of 5,000 years ago. The ancient Chinese, for instance, blamed dragons for biting out sections of the sun to bring about eclipses.

Find out how the Big Dipper is changing, and whether our universe is expanding.

If you saw the sole occupant of a car reading a paper while the car ran smoothly down the street, would you (a) call the police, (b) run for shelter, (c) raise your eyebrows and chalk it up to electronics?

According to Edward Stoddard, author of The Real Book of Electronics, you would just raise your eyebrows. A citizen of the future may only have to dial the address of his destination, while his electric car, guided by underground wires, allows him to

NEW BOOKS



sit back and read his paper.

The story of a grocer boy who was obsessed with finding the ancient city of Troy is told in The Wonderful World of Archaeology by Ronald Jessup.

Heinrich Schliemann refused to believe that the Homeric stories of Troy were simply pleasing legends. The true story of how he found priceless treasures and added 1,000 years to history reads like a mystery.

If you have rocks in your head, The Story of Rocks, by Dorothy Shuttleworth, is the book for you. It helps you identify rocks, and tells about rock-forming minerals from their very beginning when the earth was still a molten mass of fiery-hot doughy material. It gives tests to determine what your rocks contain. Collection methods are also outlined.

The Gigantic Giant

—He Ate Rocks, Stones and Whole Mountains—

By MAX TRELL

GENERAL TIN, the tin soldier, was saying in a very quiet voice to Knarf, the shadow boy, with the turned-about name, and to Teddy, the Stuffed Bear: "Now I don't expect you to believe me, but I really did see one—I really and truly did."

"But as I just said, I don't expect you to believe me," General Tin started sternly at Knarf and Teddy, who were both standing in front of him, looking up at him.

It was Knarf who had started the whole thing by asking General Tin whether he had ever seen a Giant.

Enormous Or Little

"Was he an ENORMOUS Giant?" Teddy asked, and ng a little frightened, "or just a little giant?"

General Tin eyed Teddy for a moment in silence before he answered: "My foolish friend, there is no such thing in the world as a little Giant. All Giants are ENORMOUS."

"That's what I thought," said Teddy. "They're all ENORMOUS."

Knarf said: "They're GIGANTIC. That's why they're Giants."

General Tin nodded to Knarf. "Exactly so. But this Giant that I saw was even more ENORMOUS and more GIGANTIC than most Giants usually are. He was positively COLOSSAL!"

"Oh," chattered Teddy, "and were you afraid?"

"I might have been," General Tin admitted slowly. "Only when I saw this Giant I was lucky enough to find him asleep."

Sleeping Giant

"Asleep?" said Knarf. "A sleeping Giant?"

"Yes," said General Tin, "this Giant was fast asleep. And here's something else that you won't believe. He had been sleeping for years and years and years and years."

"That's a long time," said Teddy, the Stuffed Bear. "And when he was awake, he was asleep. No one was afraid of him, not even the smallest mouse. They ran up and down his sides. They played games. But when he was awake—that was different. Everyone ran away from him. They didn't want to stay near him at all."

General Tin shook his head. "When the Giant was awake he breathed out smoke and



"I don't expect you to believe me," Tin told Knarf and Teddy.

fire. He lived in a far off land, many miles from here. I sailed in a ship around the world. Then one day I came to an island. The Giant was lying on the ground, snoring. His snores sounded like thunder."

Knarf and Teddy, the Stuffed Bear, moved closer to each other.

General Tin continued: "He was so big that his head and his shoulders—even when he was lying down—were hidden in the clouds. But I came up to him and started climbing up to his shoulders, for I wanted to see his face. When I reached his head, I found that he was sleeping with his mouth wide open. I crept up very carefully—as as not to wake him—and looked down into his mouth. Smoke was coming out."

Knarf and Teddy hugged each other.

Melted Rocks

"I looked down into his mouth and I saw flames and melted rocks."

"O-oh!" said Knarf and Teddy.

"That's what the Giant ate," said General Tin. "He ate rocks and stones and boulders. He ate whole mountains!"

"O-oh... and did you wake him up?" chattered Teddy.

General Tin frowned.

"You are certainly a more foolish bear than I supposed. Nobody wakes up a Giant who eats rocks and stones and whole mountains."

"No, I just climbed down as fast as I could, and sailed away."

"What was the Giant's name?" Knarf asked.

"Mr. Volcano," said General Tin. "He was an ENORMOUS, GIGANTIC volcano!"

Knarf and Teddy were glad he was far away.

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JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

HOUSEWIVES' CHOICE

THE Lord Chief Justice of England has had strong words to say about shoplifters and the storn punishment they should receive. Perhaps Mary read his words. Perhaps Martha did. And added "hear, hears," probably. For though often hard-pressed, they both were thoroughly honest women.

Two housewives struggling to make ends meet in the heartening, grey little streets about King's Cross.

But the other day, they both became shoplifters. By then they had probably forgotten all about Lord Goddard's awesome warning.

Cut price

THE two women stole, quite independently of each other, at a cut-price, self-service store where both, normally shopped.

Mary, a plump, bonny 25, mother of four children ranging in age from 10 months to nine years, took 1½ lb. of tea, a tin of peaches, four bars of chocolate, Martha, a heavily-built woman of 51, with a son of 15, stole a tin of salmon.

The same keen-eyed woman store-detective caught both of them, and they both when caught pleaded "Can I pay now," and both at Clerkenwell court answered "Guilty," to the charge.

Respite

ONE after the other, the magistrates, Mr. Frank Powell, heard the two stories. To Mary first, then to Martha, he recalled Lord Goddard's words. Each woman trembled and paled at the word prison.

"The trouble is," said Mr. Powell, "that you're all so hard up that if I fine you, it is a punishment on your children. I must think about this. You will be remanded in custody until tomorrow."

Mary was led to a cell, and so a few minutes later, was Martha. Ahead lay the shame and stigma of a night in Holloway—and a respite for 24 hours from cooking, cleaning, washing-up, darning, chasing children to bed.

They must have had mixed feelings when, that afternoon, the magistrate brought them back to the dock and announced they would be conditionally discharged and must each pay £2 2s. costs.

FRENCH RADICALS COULD OVERTHROW GOVERNMENT

Paris, Feb. 15.

The French Radical Socialist Party's executive committee today called for an extraordinary party congress as soon as possible in order to settle accounts between the party and those of its members who are in the present government.

Queen Off To Portugal

London, Feb. 15.
Queen Elizabeth leaves for Portugal by air tomorrow to be reunited with the Duke of Edinburgh after a separation of more than four months.

They will have two days of privacy before sharing the duties of the three-day State visit to Portugal which begins next Monday.

The Queen's plane, a Viscount, takes off from London Airport tomorrow morning at about 11.30.

NO EMBRACE

The Duke will be waiting at Moulins for his wife. Court etiquette rules out a spontaneous public embrace, but as soon as the plane lands, the Queen's party will leave the lounge at the rear of the aircraft so that the Royal couple may greet each other in private.

From the airport, the Duke will drive his wife to the sunny port of Setubal where the Royal yacht Britannia awaits them.

The Royal couple will fly back to Britain on the morning of February 21.—Reuter.

Nationalist Suspects Arrested

Algiers, Feb. 15.

French security forces arrested 17 Algerian rebels and 64 suspects in raids against nationalist cells in the towns of Sidi Bel Abbes, Hussein Day, and Belcourt, it was reported today.

The police said they arrested 13 other suspects and seized stocks of arms, munition and medical supplies in a search operation northwest of Saint Pierre-Salins Paul.

An undisciplined number of rebels were reported killed in clashes with French troops south of El Milia and southwest of Arris. Troops recovered weapons and munitions.

The 64 suspects who were apprehended in the raid on Sidi Bel Abbes included numerous city employees and several court officials, the police said.

Meantime, terrorists wounded a total of four persons in revolver attacks in Constantine and Oran departments.—France-Press.

NAMESAKES

Answers:—1 Injuries, 2 Spinner, 3 Manchester, 4 Australian, 5 Analysis, 6 Wickets, 7 Survey, 8 Bradford.

Jim Laker (the England cricketer).

A resolution to this effect was adopted by a big majority at a meeting today when delegates argued that the Mollet coalition government—which includes 11 Radical members—had failed to keep election promises, especially those referring to peace in Algeria.

The delegates considered that Radical members in the Government should now toe the party line and resign or else be ejected from the party. The extraordinary congress will debate this issue.

Difficult Position

M. Pierre Mendes-France, the party leader and former Premier, is thus placed in a difficult position. He himself resigned from the Government over its Algeria policy last May but he does not appear anxious to precipitate a government crisis which would be inevitable if the Radical members resigned.

The National Assembly was full of rumours today that the relatively favourable outcome of the United Nations debate on Algeria was due to behind-the-scenes promises by the Foreign Minister, M. Christian Pineau, to Mr. John Foster Dulles, American Secretary of State.

These promises were said to have committed France secretly to start rapidly negotiating peace in Algeria.

Unconfirmed

These rumours, which have remained quite unconfirmed, were worrying the moderate and rightwing Deputies whose support of the Mollet Government is entirely conditional on the Government vigorously maintaining French sovereignty in Algeria.

If there were any wavering on this point M. Mollet would soon find himself in a minority.—Reuter.

Rediffusion

H.K.T. 11 a.m., Morning Medley; 11.30, London Play House—"The Man Within"; 12 noon, Tune Time; 12.30 p.m., Three Men on a Mule; 1, Key-board Caprice; 1.15, News, Weather Report and Special Announcements; 1.30, George Melachrino and his Orchestra; 2, Year-Popular Hits of 1920-1930; 2.15, Theatre—"Miss Duveen"—A Story by Walter de la Mare, starring Marie Ney; 4, In the Morgan Manor—Jazz Music with Guest Artists; 4.30, Melody Magic; 5.30, Rhythm Parade; 6, Birthday Mailbox; 6.55, Unit Requests presented by Linda—Callings; Defence Platoon Transit Camp, Kowloon; 7, Time Signal and News; 7.50, Weather Report, Announcements and Interlude; 7.55, Keynotes by Carole; Frankie Carlo and his Orchestra; 7.55, Rediffusion's Jazz Club—Presented by Philip Dickens; 8, Dorothy Carless Show; 8.15, I Love A Mystery; 8.30, Voice of Sport—News and Views of the Colony's Sports and Sportmen; 9, Time Signal, News and Home News Briefs; 9.15, Hit Parade; 9.45, Harlem Nocturne; 10, Paul Temple and the Lawrence Affair—Episode 7—"An Other Suspect"; by Francis Durbridge, starring Peter Coke and Madeline Westbury; 10.30, Music from Madras—Played by the Henry Morgan Trio; 11, Dance Party; 12 midnight, "God Save the Queen"; Close Down.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"If a girl answers don't hang up—his voice is changing!"

INDIAN ARMY HAS PLACE IN KASHMIR

Srinagar, Feb. 15.

Mr Bakshi Ghulam Mohammed, Kashmir's Premier, declared here today that it was "absurd" to suggest that the Indian Army should withdraw from Kashmir—"India's own territory."

He was speaking at a reception in honour of General J. N. Choudhri, who is in command of Indian forces in Kashmir and who has just concluded a tour of the Rajouri, Poonch and Jammu areas of the State.

Mr Mohammed said no army had ever been deprived of its rightful obligation of defending its own territory. The manner in which the Indian Army has defended Kashmir against "Pakistan's unprovoked aggression nine years ago was a monumental achievement," he said. The army of India was as much Kashmir's army as it was of any other part of India.

"The Indian Army is hailed as the army of liberation by the people of the state," he added.—Reuter.

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In reporting, the exact locality is important. (e.g. pavement in front of No. 77, Hennessy Road, Wanchai).

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Notice to Shareholders

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Sixty-Fourth Annual General Meeting of the Members of the Company will be held on Thursday, the 14th day of March, 1957, at 11 a.m. at the Company's Registered Office, 4th Floor, P. & O. Building, for the transaction of the business of an Ordinary General Meeting including the following:—

- (1) To receive and consider the Reports of the Directors and of the Auditors, and the Profit and Loss Account for the year ended 31st December, 1956, and the Balance Sheet as at that date.
- (2) To approve the Dividend.
- (3) To elect Directors.
- (4) To appoint Auditors.

The Register of Members will be closed from Friday, the 1st of March, to Thursday, the 14th of March, 1957, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board, F. H. FELL, Secretary.

Hong Kong, 14th Feb. 1957.

CHURCH NOTICE

ST. PETER'S CHURCH The Mission to Seamen, 48 Gloucester Road, Tel. 7421. 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion. 7.00 a.m. Service. (Other services arranged at any time by request.)

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NOTICE TO PASSENGERS

- SAILS:** Monday, 18th February, at 12.00 noon for the UNITED KINGDOM, via Singapore, Penang, Colombo, thence via the Cape of Good Hope.
- BAGGAGE:** Passengers are requested to send ALL BAGGAGE to the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf Co.'s Godown No. 2 GATE, CANTON ROAD ENTRANCE, By Noon on Sunday, 17th February.
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